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Dear Inventory Recipient:

Re: MCSS Research and Program Evaluation
Inventory for 1985-86

Attached is a copy of the Research and Program Evaluation Inventory for 1985-86. The report presents information on 263 research and program evaluation studies under way in a variety of social service settings throughout the province during the 1985-86 fiscal year. The summaries are based on information we received from participating organizations.

The purpose of the inventory is to increase knowledge about research and program evaluation activities being conducted in various settings and to enhance sharing of information. I hope you will circulate the inventory and use it throughout your department/agency.

I would like to thank all of the organizations which responded to our request for information. Unfortunately, some of the studies which were reported do not appear in the inventory because they did not meet the criteria specified for inclusion.

I would appreciate receiving any comments or suggestions you may have for improvements or changes in the inventory which might make it more useful to you. We will take all of them into consideration when we plan next year's edition.

Please note that limited additional copies of the inventory are available from the Ontario Government Bookstore, 880 Bay Street, for personal shopping. Out-of-town customers should write to Publication Services Section, 5th Floor, 880 Bay Street, Toronto, Ontario M7A 1N8. There is no charge for this publication.

Thank you again for your co-operation and assistance.

Sincerely,

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INTRODUCTION

Research and program evaluation activities occur in a variety of settings - both within the Ministry and in many social service agencies. If clients of social service programs are to fully benefit from these research and program evaluation activities, it is essential that the results be disseminated extensively. Much of the research and program evaluation which is conducted has potential application beyond the organization which was responsible for the study. This inventory is an attempt to share information with various relevant groups about research and program evaluation studies that were in progress at some point in the 1985/86 fiscal year.

Evaluative information is always valuable for the development and management of programs and resources. In addition, knowledge regarding the nature, scope and results of evaluative studies conducted elsewhere can help an organization to improve its own studies. A third benefit is the possibility that an inventory such as this will enhance the sense of community among social service researchers working in diverse Ontario settings.

The inventory includes studies which have been directly funded or conducted by the Ministry of Community and Social Services, as well as studies conducted by a variety of social service agencies, the social service departments of large municipalities, mental health organizations, Ontario-wide associations and interval/transition houses.

The initial package requesting information about research and program evaluation activities was sent to a total of 677 addresses, of which 631 responded. Of these, 91 organizations reported a total of 263 studies which are included in the inventory. The table on the following page presents the breakdown of requests and responses by organization type.

Organization Type	Number of Organizations Invited to Participate	Number of Organizations Responding	Number of Studies Included in Inventory
Homes for the Aged	178	162	4
Associations for the Mentally Retarded	117	102	5
Children's Mental Health Centres	82	76	41
Ministry of Community and Social Services (including Schedule I Facilities)	80	80	147
Children's Aid Societies	52	52	13
Sheltered Workshops	46	42	3
Ontario-wide Associations	18	17	14
Large Municipalities	17	16	21
Interval/Transition Houses	77	74	7
Schedule II MR Facilities	10	10	6
Another Ministry/Area of Government	N/A	N/A	2
TOTALS*	677	631	263

* Excluded from the inventory were:

- operational reviews or audits,
- annual reports, of a non-evaluative nature, of ongoing programs or entire agencies,
- policy papers,
- strategic or corporate plans,
- "demonstration" or "pilot" projects which were not being formally evaluated, and
- those studies for which a final report was neither produced nor expected.

The following table indicates the number of studies which have been included in the inventory by primary target group.

Primary Target Group	Number of Studies Included in the Inventory
Children in General	27
Disturbed Children	36
Children in Need of Protection	39
Children with Learning Disabilities	3
Physically Disabled Children	7
Developmentally Handicapped Children	17
Young Offenders	6
Income Maintenance	13
Families in Need of Support (non-financial)	23
Developmentally and Physically Handicapped	64
Elderly	18
All or Most MCSS Client Groups	10
TOTAL	263

Definitions of the target groups above are self-explanatory with the following exceptions:

(i) Children in General - refers to studies concerned with groups of children that either do not fit into one of the specific child-oriented target groups or involve two or more of these target groups.

(ii) Developmentally and Physically Handicapped - refers to studies concerned with either adults or persons of all ages (as opposed to children only) who are physically or developmentally handicapped.

(iii) Income Maintenance - refers to studies concerned primarily with target groups in need of financial support.

(iv) Families in Need of Support (non-financial) - refers to studies concerned with families in need of counselling and other non-financial support.

The inventory is intended for the use of program managers, senior management, program and policy developers, and researchers. Its purpose is to provide a brief overview of each study. If further information is desired, there is a contact individual listed for each study.

The inventory is arranged so that studies which relate to the same primary target group appear together in the report. For example, the studies concerned primarily with the elderly appear in one section of the inventory. Each section begins with its own alphabetical index.

In addition to these section indexes, there are four general indexes at the end of the report. Two of these are organized by: type of organization responsible for the study/program relevance; and target group/program relevance. "Program relevance" refers to the kinds of programming activities for which a study may have significance, as determined by the organization reporting the study. A particular study may appear in up to three "program" sections but in no more than one "target group" or "organization responsible" section. The third index is a complete alphabetical listing of all the studies which appear in the inventory. The fourth index, a new addition to the inventory, provides an alphabetical listing of principal investigators.

A brief glossary, which appears after this introduction, defines the research and program evaluation components used by organizations to characterize their studies.

Many of the studies listed in the inventory represent complex collaborations among Ministry staff, agency staff, associations or other groups, private consultants, university faculty and other individuals. In order to very generally characterize Ministry participation in these studies, the information appearing in the inventory on "organization responsible for study" has been developed as follows. In the case of all studies conducted or directly funded - on a project basis - by the Ministry, the Ministry is listed as the responsible organization. In the case of all other studies, the agency or other group which conducted (or, in a few cases, funded) the study is listed as the responsible organization.

Many of the studies include information pertaining to study costs. However, it should be noted that this information is based upon the organization's best available information. In most cases, the study costs provided are only estimates.

The inventory is being distributed to all respondents who requested a copy. We wish to express our thanks to all individuals whose contributions made the inventory possible.

Since the inventory is produced annually, we would appreciate feedback from the users of this report. Please send your comments, ideas or suggestions for improvement to the following address:

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GLOSSARY

Research and Program Evaluation Study Components

Review of research and program evaluation literature:	a summary and analysis of the methods, findings and conclusions of studies reported in the research literature on a particular topic.
Clinical research:	an investigation of the effects on client functioning of a strategy, procedure, or intervention, without any necessary reference to broader agency or program operations.
Laboratory research:	an experimental study undertaken in a laboratory setting.
Survey research:	research done using face-to-face interviews or telephone interviews or mailed questionnaires.
Needs assessment:	a study done to determine the characteristics of a target population, the nature and magnitude of a problem, and the levels and gaps in existing supports and services.
Resources inventory:	a description of the resources in a particular community.
Organizational research:	research into management, personnel or organizational issues affecting service delivery.
Descriptive program survey:	a description of "what's going on" in a program or set of programs at a particular point in time. Such a study may describe administrative structures, the characteristics of participants, the types of services delivered, etc.
Cost analysis:	a detailed breakdown of the costs of a program.
Cost-effectiveness/ cost-benefit study:	A cost-effectiveness study investigates the relationship between costs and outcomes to determine whether objectives are being met effectively and economically. A cost-benefit study also examines the relationship between costs and outcomes but expresses at least a portion of the outcomes in monetary terms.
Evaluability assessment:	an initial review of a program or project to assess the feasibility and the likely utility of a full-scale evaluation.
Process evaluation (implementation assessment):	a comparison of proposed program structures and procedures with actual program implementation to determine whether operational objectives have been achieved.
Outcome evaluation (impact evaluation):	a study which evaluates effectiveness, i.e., whether the objectives of a program have been achieved.

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ASSESSING STRESS, DIFFERENTIAL INVOLVEMENT, AND INTERVENTION IN FAMILIES OF AUTISTIC CHILDREN

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Dr. M.M. Konstantareas, Clarke Institute of Psychiatry
For More Information Write or Phone:	Roma Scott (416) 965-9884 Research and Program Evaluation Unit 3rd Floor, Hepburn Block, Queen's Park Toronto, Ontario M7A 1E9

STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	04/82 - 06/85.
Objectives:	To access the extent of stress on parents of autistic, learning disabled, or mentally retarded children, and on siblings of autistic children. To examine the levels of parental involvement in the care of autistic children.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research.
Data Sources:	Additional psychometric tests. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families. Structured observation.
Results:	Preliminary findings suggest that, for the autistic sample, mothers and fathers were equally stressed, and experienced more stress in rearing their children than did the control parents. The mothers of the autistic children were more involved with them than were the fathers, especially in terms of chore-type activities. The mothers were also more likely than the fathers to provide information about the children, to interact more with them, and to be more aware and realistic about the severity of their problems. For the learning disabled sample, the mothers were more stressed than the fathers, and the mothers of boys reported more stress than the mothers of girls.
Relevant to:	Treatment.
Reports:	Stress and Differential Parental Involvement in Families of Autistic and Learning Disabled Children. Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS lottery funds

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts	92,649		
Core budget	3,800		
Estimated Total Costs	96,449		

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 96,449
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 96,449

BUILDING SELF-ESTEEM

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: an Ontario-wide association

Principal Investigator: Margo George

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Canadian Mental Health Association
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Toronto, Ontario M6A 2A6

STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 08/85 - 07/86.

Study Type: Evaluation of a demonstration/pilot project.

Program Studied: Building Self-esteem.

Objectives: To assess a program designed to: improve the school-age child's ability to interact with peers; help the child to deal with criticism and discouragement; encourage the child to be more sensitive to the needs of others, and to be more accepting of others.

Components: Outcome evaluation.

Data Sources: Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families. Structured observation.

Results: Included in final report.

Relevant to: Prevention.

Reports: Building Self-esteem: Interim and Final Reports.

Access to reports is limited to agencies involved.

FUNDING

Sources: Children's Aid Society of Metropolitan Toronto Foundation

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts		1,316	
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs		1,316	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 1,316
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 1,316

Operational costs of the demonstration/pilot project: 12,500

Sources of operational funds: Children's Aid Society of Metropolitan Toronto Foundation

CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE PREVENTION PROGRAM

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: a children's aid society

Principal Investigator: Ross Dawson, Family and Children's Services of Oxford County

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Family and Children's Services of Oxford County
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 01/85 - 06/86.

Study Type: Evaluation of a demonstration or pilot project.

Program Studied: Child Sexual Abuse Prevention Program.

Objectives: To evaluate the effectiveness of a school-based education program to prevent the sexual abuse of young children.

Components: Process evaluation.

Data Sources: Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Self-administered questionnaires for teachers. Face-to-face interviews with educators and other professionals.

Results: Included in final report.

Relevant to: Prevention.

Reports: Preventing Child Sexual Abuse.

Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Child Abuse Prevention Program; Kinsmen Club of Tillsonburg

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Operational costs of the demonstration/pilot project:	10,000	5,000	

Sources of operational funds: London Area Office; Kinsmen Club of Tillsonburg; Child Abuse Prevention Program

CHOICES FOR CHILDREN: THE CHILDREN'S PROJECT

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: an interval/transition house

Principal Investigator: Sharon Stone, Niagara Women in Crisis

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St. Catharines, Ontario L2R 4V7

STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 12/85 - 08/86.

Study Type: Evaluation of a demonstration or pilot project.

Program Studied: Choices for Children.

Objectives: To evaluate support groups for children who have witnessed wife assault.

Components: Descriptive program survey. Process evaluation.

Data Sources: Other program or agency records. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Telephone interviews with clients or families. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families. Structured observation.

Results: To be included in final report.

Relevant to: Prevention. Casework or counselling.

Reports: Choices for Children: The Children's Project.

Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: Canada Employment and Immigration: Employment Development Program; Levi Strauss Great Northern Apparel, Inc.

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Operational costs of the demonstration/pilot project:		6,225	

Sources of operational funds: Levi Strauss Great Northern Apparel, Inc.

CLIENT SATISFACTION WITH HOME-BASED PROGRAMS FOR TODDLERS AND TEENS

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a children's mental health centre
Principal Investigator:	Dr. Michelle Sullivan, Regional Children's Centre of Thunder Bay
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	10/85 - 03/86.
Study Type:	Evaluation of an ongoing program.
Program Studied:	Teen Family Program, Child Development Program.
Objectives:	To ascertain levels of client satisfaction with home-based programs focused on teens and young children.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Descriptive program survey. Process evaluation.
Data Sources:	Existing demographic data. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Telephone interviews with clients or families.
Results:	Satisfaction levels are high. There was little variability in scores on the standardized measure of client satisfaction. Instrumental measures of satisfaction also indicate high satisfaction levels. Both programs are ready to progress past descriptive study to a more in-depth evaluation.
Relevant to:	Home support or community living. Casework or counselling.
Reports:	Client Satisfaction with Home-based Programs for Toddlers and Teens. Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources: Core budget only

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts			
Core budget		5,000	
Estimated Total Costs		5,000	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 5,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 5,000

EVALUATION OF A CLINICALLY-BASED BEHAVIOUR MODIFICATION PROGRAM: DIRECTIVE PARENTAL COUNSELLING

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: a children's mental health centre

Principal Investigator: Dr. Carmela Pakula, Windsor Western Hospital Centre

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Windsor, Ontario N9C 3Z4

STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 11/84 - 04/86.

Study Type: Evaluation of an ongoing program.

Program Studied: Directive Parental Counselling.

Objectives: To evaluate the effectiveness of an ongoing parent program (Directive Parental Counselling) in terms of reduction of the child's problem behaviour. To determine whether particular child or parental characteristics are predictive of treatment success.

Components: Clinical research. Outcome evaluation.

Data Sources: Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff.

Results: A significant decrease in problem behaviour shows the program is effective in training parents to manage problem behaviour in their children. The study found an improved concept of family image following the program. There is no identifiable relationship between child, parent, and family characteristics and treatment success.

Relevant to: Treatment.

Reports: Evaluation of a Clinically-based Behaviour Modification Program: Directive Parental Counselling.

Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: Core budget only

AN EVALUATION OF THE MULTIDIMENSIONAL APTITUDE BATTERY WITH JUVENILE OFFENDER AND ADOLESCENT PSYCHIATRIC POPULATIONS

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Dr. Douglas N. Jackson, University of Western Ontario
For More Information Write or Phone:	Roma Scott (416) 965-9884 Research and Program Evaluation Unit 3rd Floor, Hepburn Block, Queen's Park Toronto, Ontario M7A 1E9

STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	04/83 - 05/85.
Objectives:	To confirm that the constructs assessed by the Multidimensional Aptitude Battery (MAB) are equivalent to those assessed by the Wechsler Adult Intelligence Scale - Revised Edition (WAIS-R). To evaluate the comparability of computerized administration and standard administration of the MAB.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research. Test construction.
Data Sources:	Assessment battery.
Results:	Comparison of a sample of high school and university students with a sample of parolees and hospitalized psychiatric patients indicates that the MAB has a reasonable correspondence with the WAIS-R. With respect to assessing computerized administration of the MAB, administration of its verbal scale in a paper-and-pencil format and in a computerized format to 64 participants indicated no overall significant differences in performance, anxiety levels, or subjective reactions. Previous computer experience also appeared to make no difference.
Relevant to:	Treatment.
Reports:	Multidimensional Aptitude Battery. Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS lottery funds

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts	27,924		
Core budget	3,500		
Estimated Total Costs	31,424		

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 31,424
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 31,424

EVALUATION OF THE NORTH YORK BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CHILD CARE PROJECT

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Martha Friendly, University of Toronto
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	09/85 - 06/86.
Study Type:	Evaluation of an ongoing program.
Program Studied:	North York Before and After School Program.
Objectives:	To develop a description of the project. To determine whether the program is doing: (a) what it said it would do; (b) what it was funded to do; (c) what the sponsors intended it to do. To determine whether the program is a viable child care option and whether it could be a component of a comprehensive family resource model. To explore the broader implications of this model for school-age child care.
Components:	Survey research. Descriptive program survey. Process evaluation. Outcome evaluation.
Data Sources:	Existing demographic data. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff. Structured observation.
Results:	To be included in final report.
Relevant to:	Day programming.
Reports:	Report is planned. Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS purchase of service contract: Toronto Area Office (Children)

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts		14,000	
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs		14,000	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 14,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 14,000

EVALUATION OF THE RESIDENTIAL CENTRE PROGRAM

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

Principal Investigator: Susan Hodgson, Community Policy Research Group

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Toronto, Ontario M7A 1E9

STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 02/85 - 01/87.

Study Type: Evaluation of a demonstration or pilot project.

Program Studied: Residential Centre Program.

Objectives: To assess the Residential Centre Program which serves unemployed youth, aged 15-19 years, who have inappropriate living conditions.

Components: Descriptive program survey. Cost analysis. Process evaluation. Outcome evaluation.

Data Sources: Client case records. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families.

Results: To be included in final report.

Relevant to: Income maintenance. Residential or group care.

Reports: Evaluation of the Residential Centre Program.

Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS purchase of service contract: Research and Program Evaluation Unit

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts	2,400	89,800	102,000
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs	2,400	89,800	102,000

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 92,200
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 194,200

Operational costs of the demonstration/pilot project:	1,000,00	2,200,000	2,400,000

Sources of operational funds: Ministry of Skills Development

FRONTENAC COUNTY NEEDS ASSESSMENT SURVEY

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Ruth Barton, Interagency Council for Children
For More Information Write or Phone:	Ruth Barton (613) 542-1781 Interagency Council for Children 370 King Street West Kingston, Ontario K7L 2X4

STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	06/84 - 05/85.
Objectives:	To determine the extent to which the needs of children are being met at the present time in Frontenac County. To identify those needs which are considered to be a priority.
Components:	Needs assessment.
Data Sources:	Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families.
Results:	To be included in final report.
Relevant to:	Prevention. Home support or community living. Casework or counselling.
Reports:	Frontenac County Needs Assessment Survey. Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Kingston Area Office; Canada Works Grant

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts	20,563		
Core budget	5,317		
Estimated Total Costs	25,880		

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 25,880
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 25,880

THE IDENTIFICATION OF THE "INVULNERABLE" HIGH RISK INFANT

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Dr. David R. Pederson, University of Western Ontario
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 04/82 - 06/86.

Objectives: To study the constitutional, parental, and community factors that contribute to optimum developmental outcome for low birthweight infants.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research.

Data Sources: Face-to-face interviews with clients or families. Structured observation. Assessment battery.

Results: Although data analysis is still continuing, some preliminary conclusions are suggested. (1) Having a premature infant is very stressful for mothers: seventy per cent of the mothers of well infants and almost all mothers of ill infants were scored as emotionally upset. The emotional support of family members is very important for the mothers. (2) Most low birthweight infants, including those of very low birthweight, appear to be functioning normally by 12 months of age. Only nine of the 150 infants had a clearly identifiable developmental handicap. (3) Differences in how critically ill infants were after birth are strongly related to differences in their intellectual functioning at one year of age. (4) Illness after birth, rather than prematurity per se, is related to developmental functioning at one year. (5) Quality of home environment makes a significant contribution to infant functioning at one year of age. This contribution is more important than such factors as social class or maternal education.

Relevant to: Prevention.

Reports: Maternal Responses to Preterm Birth: The Importance of Family Support.

Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS lottery funds

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts	60,602	49,776	
Core budget	3,200		
Estimated Total Costs	63,802	49,776	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 113,578
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 113,578

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RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	an Ontario-wide association
Principal Investigator:	Diane Cresswell, Ontario Association of Children's Aid Societies
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	05/85 - 01/86.
Program Studied:	Children's Aid Societies.
Objectives:	To develop a profile of CAS services, including: budgets, staffing, salaries, board rates, children in care, and other statistical information.
Components:	Survey research.
Data Sources:	Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff.
Results:	Included in final report.
Relevant to:	Prevention. Treatment. Casework or counselling.
Reports:	Info - 85. Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources:	Core budget only

INFORMAL DAY CARE: A STUDY OF CAREGIVERS

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Dr. Susan Pepper, University of Western Ontario
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 04/85 - 08/85.

Objectives: To gather information about unsupervised caregivers who provide home day care in order to determine which of their personal and psychological characteristics are related to provider competence. To explore methods of recruiting these caregivers as participants in research.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature. Descriptive program survey.

Data Sources: Other program or agency records. Mail-out questionnaires to MCSS or agency staff.

Results: The 79 unsupervised caregivers appeared to be very similar to supervised providers except that they more often had post-secondary education (47% as compared with 24%) and viewed their role more as caretaking than educational. Although rated somewhat less highly than supervised providers on measures of day care quality, they seemed to offer an acceptable level of care. They also differed from the providers in that higher quality care was related to their level of education. With respect to recruiting caregivers as participants in research, the investigators received 373 responses to their advertisements, with a weekly advertising paper yielding the most respondents.

Relevant to: Day programming.

Reports: Informal Day Care: A Study of Caregivers.

Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS lottery funds

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts	11,423		
Core budget	1,000		
Estimated Total Costs	12,423		

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 12,423
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 12,423

INFORMATION SYSTEMS FOR CHILDREN'S SERVICES

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a municipal social services department
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	01/83 - 04/85.
Objectives:	To identify the procedures required for the collection of quality information for effective planning and allocation of resources, internally and regionally, by individual agencies.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Survey research. Organizational research. Descriptive program survey.
Data Sources:	Other program or agency records. Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff.
Results:	Included in final report.
Reports:	Information Systems for Children's Services. Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources:	Core budget only

A LONGITUDINAL ANALYSIS OF PROGRAMMATIC VARIABLES IN THE COGNITIVE, ACADEMIC, AND BEHAVIOURAL DEVELOPMENT OF LANGUAGE-DELAYED CHILDREN

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	04/81 - ongoing.
Objectives:	To conduct a long-term evaluation of the effectiveness of early intervention programs for children who begin to talk at a much older age than normal. To identify factors predicting later cognitive, academic, and behavioural difficulties.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research.
Data Sources:	Additional psychometric tests.
Results:	To be included in final report.
Relevant to:	Treatment.
Reports:	A Longitudinal Analysis of Programmatic Variables in the Cognitive, Academic, and Behavioural Development of Language-Delayed Children. Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS lottery funds

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts	112,108		
Core budget	4,200		
Estimated Total Costs	116,308		

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 116,308
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 116,308

ONTARIO CHILD HEALTH STUDY

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Dr. Dan Offord, Chedoke-McMaster Hospitals
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	00/80 - ongoing.
Objectives:	To gather information on the incidence and prevalence of childhood mental health problems. To identify risk factors and services being used. To recommend how programs could be developed to prevent childhood mental health problems.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Survey research.
Data Sources:	Existing demographic data. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families.
Results:	Included in reports.
Relevant to:	Prevention.
Reports:	Ontario Child Health Study: Summary of Initial Findings. Other reports are planned. Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Prevention Funding; MCSS lottery funds

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts	637,250	88,235	94,340
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs	637,250	88,235	94,340

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 725,485
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 819,825

PREPARATION FOR INDEPENDENCE EVALUATION

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

Principal Investigator: Paul Rosenbaum, Evalusearch Research Consultants

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 09/85 - 03/87.

Study Type: Evaluation of a demonstration or pilot project.

Program Studied: Preparation for Independence Program.

Objectives: To evaluate the Preparation for Independence Program in terms of both its process and outcome.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature. Cost-effectiveness or cost-benefit analysis. Process evaluation. Outcome evaluation.

Data Sources: Client case records. Other program or agency records. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families.

Results: To be included in final report.

Relevant to: Prevention. Income maintenance. Residential or group care.

Reports: Preparation for Independence Evaluation.

Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS purchase of service contract: Research and Program Evaluation Unit

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts		36,000	51,200
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs		36,000	51,200

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 36,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 87,200

Operational costs of the demonstration/pilot project:	300,000	1,900,000	2,265,000

Sources of operational funds: MCSS Operations Division

PRIVATE HOME DAY CARE PROVIDERS: AN ONTARIO SURVEY OF THEIR PERSONAL AND PSYCHOLOGICAL CHARACTERISTICS

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 04/83 - 08/85.

Objectives: To gather information about supervised providers of home day care in order to determine which of their personal and psychological characteristics are related to provider competence.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature. Descriptive program survey.

Data Sources: Other program or agency records. Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff.

Results: The typical day care provider is a female anglophone high school graduate, married with two children, who has worked as a provider for 2.6 years. As a group, the 161 providers appear to be warm, nurturant, orderly people who offer good quality care. A higher level of day care quality is linked with those providers who show greater intellectual curiosity and assertiveness and less traditional female vocational interests. The providers who are the most warm and the most orderly are no more likely to be the very best providers than those who display these traits to a lesser degree.

Relevant to: Day programming.

Reports: Private Home Day Care Providers: An Ontario Survey of their Personal and Psychological Characteristics. Private Home Day Care Providers in Ontario: A Study of Their Personal and Psychological Characteristics.

Reports are available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS lottery funds

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts	21,961		
Core budget	5,000		
Estimated Total Costs	26,961		

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 26,961
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 26,961

REDUCING THE STRESS OF NEW MOTHERHOOD

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	04/84 - 03/86.
Objectives:	To examine an innovative approach to meeting new parents' needs for individualized support and information on parenting.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research.
Data Sources:	Face-to-face interviews with clients or families.
Results:	Intervention through support by telephone and parenting skills classes produced no significant effects on the mothers in terms of reduction in stress or improved parental competence and knowledge.
Relevant to:	Prevention.
Reports:	Reducing the Stress of New Motherhood. Reports are available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS lottery funds

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts	24,682		
Core budget	4,000		
Estimated Total Costs	28,682		

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 28,682
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 28,682

RESEARCH INTO THE ADEQUACY OF CHILD CARE SERVICES IN LENNOX AND ADDINGTON

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a children's aid society
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	02/86 - 03/86.
Objectives:	To assess the adequacy of child care services in Lennox and Addington County.
Components:	Survey research. Needs assessment. Resources inventory.
Data Sources:	Existing demographic data. Other program or agency records. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff.
Results:	Child care services in Lennox and Addington are presently inadequate. A county-wide coalition of concerned parents should be supported in their request for the provision of subsidized day care spaces by County council. The study recommends the initiation of new licensed day care, and the establishment of a child care resource centre by 1987.
Relevant to:	Prevention. Day programming. Home support or community living.
Reports:	Lennox and Addington Family and Children's Services Report on Child Care in Lennox and Addington for the House of Commons Special Committee on Child Care. Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources:	Core budget only

REVIEW OF RESIDENTIAL CARE AND RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT PROGRAMS

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a municipal social services department
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	06/84 - 07/86.
Objectives:	To assess the patterns of the use of residential care and treatment programs, and the needs of children in the Waterloo Region in relation to the resources which are available. To make recommendations with respect to the current use and further development of residential resources in the Waterloo Region. To address the need for the development of other alternative programs and the role of residential placement within the care and treatment continuum.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research. Laboratory research.
Data Sources:	Client case records. Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff. Telephone interviews with MCSS or agency staff.
Results:	Included in final report.
Relevant to:	Treatment.
Reports:	Review of Residential Care and Residential Treatment Programs. Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources:	Core budget only

A STUDY OF THE OUTREACH PROGRAM OF THE OTTAWA PARENT PRESCHOOL RESOURCE CENTRE

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	03/85 - 09/85.
Program Studied:	Outreach Program of the Ottawa Parent Preschool Resource Centre.
Objectives:	To review the Outreach Program and to study its organization, activities, participants and perceived effectiveness.
Components:	Descriptive program survey.
Data Sources:	Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families. Structured observation.
Results:	Included in final report.
Relevant to:	Prevention. Day programming.
Reports:	A Study of the Outreach Program of the Ottawa Parent Preschool Resource Centre. Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS purchase of service contract: Prevention Funding

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts	8,499	18,321	
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs	8,499	18,321	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 26,820
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 26,820

STUDY OF THE VIABILITY OF USER FEES IN AN ONTARIO CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH CENTRE

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: a children's mental health centre

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 04/85 - 08/85.

Program Studied: Teen Family Program.

Objectives: To determine the viability of levelling a user fee for services provided by a community-based support program for adolescents.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature. Survey research.

Data Sources: Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff.

Results: A literature review was inconclusive as to the clinical benefits of imposing user fees as a motivator for clients. Of the 82 children's mental health centres surveyed, 16 rated themselves as an appropriate reference group for the Teen Family Program. Of these 16 agencies, 3 were using some limited form of fee-for-service but revenue generated from this effort was consistently reported as being less than 1 per cent of the agency budget. A one-third random sample of program clients was surveyed regarding user fees yielding a 35 per cent (n=22) response rate. Of these 22 client respondents, 60 per cent were clearly opposed to user fees, and 71 per cent felt that user fees would decrease community accessibility to the program.

Relevant to: Prevention. Home support or community living.

Reports: Study of the Viability of User Fees in an Ontario Children's Mental Health Centre.

Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources: Core budget only

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts			
Core budget		5,000	
Estimated Total Costs		5,000	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 5,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 5,000

STUDY REGARDING THE FEASIBILITY OF THE SALE OF THE REGIONAL DAY CARE CENTRES

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a municipal social services department
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	06/85 - 12/85.
Program Studied:	Regional Day Care Centres.
Objectives:	To evaluate the ownership and operation of the Regional Day Care Centres compared to cost and service delivery in a purchase of service arrangement.
Components:	Cost analysis. Cost-effectiveness or cost-benefit analysis.
Data Sources:	Existing demographic data. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families.
Results:	The study found that costs were comparable and Regional Day Care Centres were not sold.
Relevant to:	Day programming.
Reports:	Study Regarding the Feasibility of the Sale of the Regional Day Care Centres. Access to report is limited to agencies involved.

FUNDING

Sources:	Core budget only

SURVEY OF CHILD CARE NEEDS IN THE WATERLOO REGION

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: a municipal social services department

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 04/83 - 04/85.

Objectives: To identify the child care factors which might inhibit women's full participation in the paid labour force.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature. Survey research.

Data Sources: Existing demographic data. Telephone interviews with clients or families.

Results: Included in final report.

Relevant to: Day programming.

Reports: Survey of Child Care Needs in the Waterloo Region.

Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Waterloo Area Office

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts	3,000		
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs	3,000		

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 3,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 3,000

WORK-RELATED CHILD CARE SURVEY

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 10/85 - 08/86.

Program Studied: Work-Related Child Care Centres in Ontario.

Objectives: To develop a comprehensive set of information about existing work-related child care services in Ontario. To develop case study material for training and educational purposes.

Components: Survey research. Descriptive program survey.

Data Sources: Other program or agency records. Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff.

Results: To be included in final report.

Relevant to: Day programming.

Reports: Work-Related Child Care Survey.

Access to report is limited to MCSS, agencies involved and the professional community.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS purchase of service contract: Child Care Branch

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts		4,800	
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs		4,800	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 4,800
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 4,800

THE YORK CENTRE DEVELOPMENTAL EVALUATION REPORT

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a children's mental health centre
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	03/81 - ongoing.
Study Type:	Evaluation of an ongoing program.
Program Studied:	The York Centre for Children, Youth and Families.
Objectives:	To provide comprehensive feedback to the program with respect to: elements of organization, implementation of the program, and outcome of service.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Evaluability assessment. Process evaluation. Outcome evaluation.
Data Sources:	Existing demographic data. Other program or agency records. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Telephone interviews with clients or families. Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff.
Results:	To be included in final reports.
Relevant to:	Day programming. Treatment. Home support or community living.
Reports:	The York Centre Developmental Evaluation Report. The York Centre Outcome Study Report and The York Follow-Up Client Satisfaction Reports are planned. Access to reports will be limited to MCSS and agencies involved.

FUNDING

Sources: Core budget only

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts			
Core budget	9,962	10,110	10,514
Estimated Total Costs	9,962	10,110	10,514

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 20,072
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 30,586

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ANGER CONTROL TRAINING FOR BOYS WITH BEHAVIOURAL DISTURBANCES

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	11/85 - 04/86.
Study Type:	Evaluation of a demonstration or pilot project.
Program Studied:	C.P.R.I.'s Eden House Program.
Objectives:	To determine the effectiveness of the anger control training component of the social skills development group in helping the boys to manage their anger in more socially acceptable ways.
Components:	Clinical research. Outcome evaluation.
Data Sources:	Existing demographic data. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Structured observation.
Results:	Included in final report.
Relevant to:	Rehabilitation. Treatment. Residential or group care.
Reports:	Anger Control Training for Boys with Behavioural Disturbances. Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources:	C.P.R.I.

CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH IN THE PORTUGUESE COMMUNITY: A PRELIMINARY STUDY

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a children's mental health centre
Principal Investigator:	Dr. Debra Pepler, Earlscourt Child and Family Centre
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	02/85 - 06/86.
Objectives:	To examine the family characteristics and child behaviour problems of Portuguese children referred to a children's mental health centre during a three year period.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research. Needs assessment.
Data Sources:	Existing demographic data. Client case records. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Telephone interviews with clients or families.
Results:	The findings indicate that Portuguese families are disadvantaged in terms of socio-economic status, family functioning, social isolation, and language skills. Children were referred primarily by schools for disruptive behaviour and school problems. The profiles of these children on the Child Behaviour Checklist were in the clinical range and similar to those of a matched sample.
Relevant to:	Treatment.
Reports:	Children's Mental Health in the Portuguese Community: A Preliminary Study. Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources:	Hospital for Sick Children Foundation

A COMPARISON OF CHILDREN IN RESIDENCE AND FAMILY SERVICES

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a children's mental health centre
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	08/85 - 05/86.
Program Studied:	Residence and Family Services.
Objectives:	To provide a profile of children admitted to the Residence and to compare this profile with that of a matched sample of children admitted to Family Services at Earlscourt Child and Family Centre.
Components:	Descriptive program survey.
Data Sources:	Other program or agency records. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families.
Results:	Children admitted to the Residence were rated as having more behavioural problems and had a greater number of previous agency contacts than children admitted to Family Services.
Relevant to:	Residential or group care.
Reports:	A Comparison of Children in Residence and Family Services. Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources:	Core budget only

A COMPARISON OF THE BEHAVIOUR AND ADAPTIVE FUNCTIONING OF CHILDREN FROM ALCOHOLIC AND NON-ALCOHOLIC FAMILIES

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a children's mental health centre
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	12/85 - 05/86.
Objectives:	To demonstrate the contribution of parental alcoholism, over and above other family dysfunctions, to the behaviour and adaptive functioning of children.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature.
Data Sources:	Client case records.
Results:	This study failed to show a statistically significant difference between children from alcoholic families and those from non-alcoholic families with respect to their behaviour and adaptive functioning as reported by the teacher.
Relevant to:	Prevention. Treatment. Casework or counselling.
Reports:	A Comparison of the Behaviour and Adaptive Functioning of Children from Alcoholic and Non-alcoholic Families. Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources:	Core budget only

A CONTROLLED INVESTIGATION OF THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN AFFECTIVE DISORDER AND PERSONALITY DISORDER IN ADOLESCENCE

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a children's mental health centre
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	04/85 - 03/87.
Objectives:	To determine whether there is an increase in disturbed personality functioning among adolescent patients with affective disorders in comparison to adolescent psychiatric patients with non-affective disorders. To determine whether personality characteristics and distortions in cognitive attitudes associated with affective disorders are merely dependent on the state of depression or are an integral trait associated with depressed individuals. To study the potential mediating function of cognitive distortion and behaviour problems in the presentation of personality disorder in adolescence.
Components:	Clinical research.
Data Sources:	Additional psychometric tests. Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families.
Results:	To be included in final report.
Relevant to:	Prevention. Treatment.
Reports:	A Controlled Investigation of the Relationship Between Affective Disorder and Personality Disorder in Adolescence. Access to report is limited to the professional community and agencies involved.

FUNDING

Sources: Ontario Mental Health Foundation

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts		40,865	40,746
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs		40,865	40,746

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 40,865
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 81,611

EVALUATING THE INTAKE PROGRAM AT MADAME VANIER CHILDREN'S SERVICES: THE ISSUE OF CLIENT ATTRITION

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a children's mental health centre
Principal Investigator:	George Butlin
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	12/85 - 06/86.
Study Type:	Evaluation of an ongoing program.
Program Studied:	Intake/Assessment Program.
Objectives:	To find out whether different client characteristics influence the successful completion of the intake phase (hence entry into the agency) given an emphasis on client self-selection and client characteristics based on the following criteria: (1) the type and severity of the emotional/behavioural problem; (2) the nature and level of social competence; (3) social or demographic variables.
Components:	Clinical research. Process evaluation.
Data Sources:	Existing demographic data. Client case records. Other program or agency records. Additional psychometric tests. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families.
Results:	Included in final report.
Relevant to:	Day programming. Treatment. Casework or counselling.
Reports:	Evaluating the Intake Program at Madame Vanier Children's Services: The Issue of Client Attrition. Access to report is limited to MCSS, agencies involved and the professional community.

FUNDING

Sources:	Core budget only

EVALUATION OF A COMPUTER-ASSISTED DIAGNOSIS AND ASSESSMENT PROCEDURE

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

Principal Investigator: Dr. Steven Stein, Thistletown Regional Centre

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 02/85 - 10/86.

Objectives: To evaluate the acceptability of computer-assisted diagnosis by children, their parents and clinicians involved with the particular cases. To compare the completeness of information collected through the regular clinical procedures and the diagnostic interview for children and adolescents with the computer version.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research.

Data Sources: Client case records. Additional psychometric tests. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff. Telephone interviews with MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families.

Results: Computer administration of a diagnostic interview appears to be quite acceptable to both parents and their children being serviced in a children's mental health centre. Clinicians have indicated the usefulness of the information collected in several different areas.

Relevant to: Treatment. Casework or counselling.

Reports: Evaluation of a Computer-assisted Diagnosis and Assessment Procedure.

Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Applied Program Technology Unit

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts	10,000	10,000	
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs	10,000	10,000	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 20,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 20,000

	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Operational costs of the demonstration/pilot project:	5,000	5,000	

Sources of operational funds: Thistletown Regional Centre

EVALUATION OF AN ONGOING ANNUAL PROGRAM OF A SUMMER CAMP TREATMENT SERVICE

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: a children's mental health centre

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 06/83 - ongoing.

Study Type: Evaluation of an ongoing program.

Program Studied: Kinark Child and Family Services.

Objectives: To evaluate the strengths, weaknesses, and program needs in a large treatment-oriented summer camp program.

Components: Survey research. Needs assessment. Outcome evaluation.

Data Sources: Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff.

Results: Included in final report.

Relevant to: Day programming. Treatment. Residential or group care.

Reports: Evaluation of an Ongoing Annual Program of a Summer Camp Treatment Service (Annual Report).

Availability of reports will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: Core budget only

EVALUATION OF COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a children's mental health centre
Principal Investigator:	Dr. Joel Hundert, Niagara Child Development Centre
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	09/85 - 03/86.
Objectives:	To determine the number of participants and agencies requesting workshops, and the most requested topics. To obtain evaluative feedback from participants.
Components:	Descriptive program survey.
Data Sources:	Participant ratings.
Results:	Over a six month period, twenty-two workshops were given, involving 286 parents and staff from other agencies. The most popular topics were "Discipline" and "Handling Non-compliant Children", with the majority of requests coming from preschools and day care centres. Over 90 percent of the respondents rated the workshops very favourably.
Relevant to:	Casework or counselling.
Reports:	Evaluation of Community Consultation. Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources: Core budget only

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts			
Core budget		100	
Estimated Total Costs		100	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 100
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 100

EVALUATION OF C.P.R.I.'S EDEN HOUSE PROGRAM

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Dr. Linda Crinklaw, C.P.R.I.
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	04/82 - 09/85.
Study Type:	Evaluation of an ongoing program.
Program Studied:	C.P.R.I.'s Eden House Program.
Objectives:	To determine whether the Eden House Program is achieving its key short-term goals that boys will become more able to cope; engage less in behaviour unacceptable to others; become more competent in social skills; develop more positive feelings towards themselves; develop a greater sense of internal locus of control; develop more positive attitudes toward school; and develop more strengths.
Components:	Survey research. Descriptive program survey. Outcome evaluation.
Data Sources:	Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff. Questionnaires to classroom teachers.
Results:	The boys are becoming more able to cope, engage less in behaviour unacceptable to others, and are becoming more competent in social skills. The boys are developing more strengths. There is no apparent change in attitudes towards school or in locus of control orientations.
Relevant to:	Treatment. Residential or group care.
Reports:	An Evaluation of the Outcomes of C.P.R.I.'s Eden House Program During Its First Two and a Third Years of Operation: Program Evaluation Report #8, May, 1985. Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: C.P.R.I.

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts			
Core budget	10,100	2,000	
Estimated Total Costs	10,100	2,000	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 12,100
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 12,100

EVALUATION OF DELLCREST SCHOOL

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a children's mental health centre
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	10/85 - 06/86.
Study Type:	Evaluation of an ongoing program.
Program Studied:	Dellcrest Day School.
Objectives:	To determine whether the children in the Dellcrest School improve in the areas of self-worth, behaviour and academics. To compare these children to those in the integrated behavioural classes along the same dimensions. To determine whether there are changes in family interaction patterns and whether any benefits of treatment are maintained at a one-year follow-up.
Components:	Outcome evaluation.
Data Sources:	Existing demographic data. Additional psychometric tests. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families.
Results:	Included in final report.
Relevant to:	Day programming. Treatment.
Reports:	Evaluation of Dellcrest School. Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources:	Core budget only

EVALUATION OF GROUPS FOR CHILDREN OF SUBSTANCE ABUSERS

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: a children's mental health centre

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 03/86 - 03/87.

Study Type: Evaluation of an ongoing program.

Program Studied: Groups for children of substance abusers.

Objectives: To evaluate the groups for children of substance abusing parents.

Components: Process evaluation.

Data Sources: Client case records. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Telephone interviews with clients or families. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families. Structured observation.

Results: To date, the study has identified a need for increased parental involvement and for greater use of non-verbal modalities such as art, movies, videos, etc. In general though, it appears that the goals of the groups are being met.

Relevant to: Prevention. Treatment. Residential or group care.

Reports: Report is planned for May, 1987.

Access to report will be limited to agencies involved.

FUNDING

Sources: Core budget only

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts			
Core budget		500	
Estimated Total Costs		500	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 500
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 500

AN EXAMINATION OF THE MENTAL HEALTH NEEDS OF ADOLESCENTS REFERRED TO GROUP HOMES

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: a children's mental health centre

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 03/86 - 08/86.

Objectives: To conduct a pilot examination of the mental health needs of adolescents in a group home case.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research.

Data Sources: Existing demographic data. Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff.

Results: To be included in final report.

Relevant to: Prevention. Treatment. Residential or group care.

Reports: An Examination of the Mental Health Needs of Adolescents Referred to Group Homes.

Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Central Regional Office

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts		3,800	
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs		3,800	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 3,800
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 3,800

FACTORS INFLUENCING CONSUMER SATISFACTION: EVALUATION OF CHILD AND FAMILY THERAPY

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: a children's mental health centre

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 01/86 - 12/86.

Study Type: Evaluation of an ongoing program.

Program Studied: Family Therapy Outpatient Program and Home Care Family Therapy Program.

Objectives: To assess the extent of client satisfaction with child and family therapy. To examine the relationship between level of satisfaction and the following variables: client, treatment, psychological processes, therapist-client relationship, outcome, and measurement demands. To delineate the role of consumers as evaluators of mental health service programs.

Components: Clinical research. Survey research. Outcome evaluation.

Data Sources: Existing demographic data. Additional psychometric tests. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff.

Results: To be included in final report.

Relevant to: Treatment. Casework or counselling.

Reports: Factors Influencing Consumer Satisfaction: Evaluation of Child and Family Therapy.

Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: Core budget only

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts			
Core budget		7,000	
Estimated Total Costs		7,000	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 7,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 7,000

FOLLOW-UP OF FIVE DAY TREATMENT CHILDREN AFTER DISCHARGE

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a children's mental health centre
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	09/85 - 02/86.
Program Studied:	Day Treatment Program.
Objectives:	To determine if the gains made in Day Treatment continue after discharge. To determine how a child is received by the teacher and how the receiving teacher's behaviour differs from the referring teacher's behaviour.
Components:	Descriptive program survey.
Data Sources:	Additional psychometric tests. Structured observation. Teacher ratings.
Results:	Gains in children's behaviour decreased after discharge although not to pre-admission levels. Academic gains were made during follow-up. Follow-up teachers directed more requests, approvals and disapprovals to target children than did referring teachers.
Relevant to:	Day programming. Treatment.
Reports:	Follow-Up of Five Day Treatment Children After Discharge. Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources: Core budget only

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts			
Core budget		400	
Estimated Total Costs		400	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 400
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 400

GETTING ALONG WITH OTHERS EVALUATION PROJECT #1

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a children's mental health centre
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	09/85 - 08/86.
Study Type:	Evaluation of an ongoing program.
Program Studied:	Pre-adolescent Milieu Day Program.
Objectives:	To assess the effectiveness of social skill and self-control instruction with emotionally disturbed youngsters.
Components:	Clinical research. Outcome evaluation.
Data Sources:	Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Self-administered questionnaires for teachers.
Results:	To be included in final report.
Relevant to:	Prevention. Treatment. Residential or group care.
Reports:	Getting Along with Others Evaluation Project #1 - Pre-adolescent Milieu Day Program. Access to reports is limited to agencies involved.

FUNDING

Sources:	Core budget only

GROUP ACTIVITY EVALUATION PROJECT #1

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: a children's mental health centre

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 04/85 - 06/85.

Study Type: Evaluation of an ongoing program.

Program Studied: Pre-adolescent Milieu Day Program.

Objectives: To assess the effectiveness of short-term group work with emotionally disturbed youngsters.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research. Outcome evaluation.

Data Sources: Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff. Structured observation.

Results: Children's ability to cope with group stress, exclusion, rejection and personal inadequacy can be enhanced and redirected into a positive channel. Older female children may be particularly at risk for feeling isolated in a male-dominant group.

Relevant to: Day programming. Treatment. Residential or group care.

Reports: Group Activity Project #1 - Pre-adolescent Milieu Day Program.

Access to report is limited to agencies involved.

FUNDING

Sources: Core budget only

INTELLECTUAL CAPABILITIES AND EMOTIONAL DISTURBANCE

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: a children's mental health centre

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 12/83 - 12/86.

Program Studied: Gifted Underachievers' Clinic.

Objectives: To understand the mechanisms by which gifted children fail to thrive in their community. To learn about the context in which they grow up in comparison to normals, and to gifted children who succeed.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research. Laboratory research.

Data Sources: Client case records. Additional psychometric tests. Laboratory tests. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families. Structured observation.

Results: In the families of gifted underachieving boys, fathers are most unhappy. Families of gifted underachieving boys show similar profiles to other clinical families. They also generally underachieve more than average families.

Relevant to: Treatment. Home support or community living. Casework or counselling.

Reports: Families of Gifted Underachievers. Intelligence and Academic Underachievement.

Reports will be available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources: The Atkinson Charitable Foundation

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts	5,000	8,000	
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs	5,000	8,000	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 13,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 13,000

INTERFACE - FAMILY AND SPECIAL SCHOOL SERVICES

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	04/82 - ongoing.
Study Type:	Evaluation of an ongoing program.
Program Studied:	Family and Special School Services.
Objectives:	To follow up on evaluability assessment interviews with staff of this program component and compare results with the 1984 review. To determine if the Family and Special School Services' philosophy, goals and objectives are well-known and shared by all staff, and are consistent with those of Interface. To determine if program activities support the Family and Special School Services model.
Components:	Organizational research. Descriptive program survey. Process evaluation. Evaluability assessment.
Data Sources:	Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff.
Results:	To be included in reports.
Relevant to:	Day programming.
Reports:	Interface - Family and Special School Services (F.S.S.S.): Summary of 1985 Review Questionnaire Responses. Access to reports will be limited to agencies involved.

FUNDING

Sources:	Thistletown Regional Centre

INTERFACE - PROGRAM EVALUATION

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 04/82 - ongoing.

Study Type: Evaluation of an ongoing program.

Program Studied: Interface.

Objectives: To determine if program philosophy, goals and objectives are well-known and shared by all staff, and are consistent across all program components. To determine whether there is a linking rationale between program philosophy, goals and objectives.

Components: Organizational research. Descriptive program survey. Evaluability assessment. Process evaluation.

Data Sources: Existing demographic data. Other program or agency records. Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff.

Results: Included in reports.

Relevant to: Day programming. Casework or counselling.

Reports: Interface - Evaluation Assessment Report 1986.

Access to report will be limited to agencies involved.

FUNDING

Sources: Thistletown Regional Centre

OUTCOME EVALUATION OF AN INTENSIVE DAY TREATMENT PROGRAM FOR DELAYED AND DISTURBED PRESCHOOLERS - ASSESSMENT AT DISCHARGE

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

Principal Investigator: Dr. Nancy J. Cohen, The George Hull Centre for Children and Families, and Dr. Susan Bradley, The Hospital for Sick Children

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 07/85 - 12/85.

Study Type: Evaluation of an ongoing program.

Program Studied: Preschool Day Treatment Program and Outpatient Treatment Program.

Objectives: To evaluate the progress in development and social-emotional behaviour made in the first eight to nine months of treatment in a therapeutic preschool and in the period from admission to discharge. To identify the characteristics of children best served in the therapeutic preschool program.

Components: Clinical research. Process evaluation. Outcome evaluation.

Data Sources: Additional psychometric tests. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff. Structured observation.

Results: Children with developmental delays and associated psychiatric problems made the most gain. Children with a non-verbal IQ within the normal range made gains more quickly than those who were mildly retarded. Generally, children who remained in the program for more than one year made the most gains. Children referred primarily for behavioural or emotional problems made the least improvement. Multiple regression analyses were done to consider the contribution to outcome of the child's initial development level; biological and psychosocial risk factors; age at admission; length of treatment; and, family motivation. Results indicated that outcome in different domains was predicted by different variables.

Relevant to: Day programming. Treatment.

Reports: Outcome Evaluation of an Intensive Day Treatment Program for Delayed and Disturbed Preschoolers - Assessment at Discharge.

Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS lottery funds; Laidlaw Foundation; Thistletown Regional Centre; University of Toronto, Faculty of Medicine

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts	114,975	23,000	
Core budget		3,000	
Estimated Total Costs	114,975	26,000	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 140,975
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 140,975

PARENT/THERAPIST PROGRAM: RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT FOLLOW-UP STUDY

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 04/80 - 01/86.

Study Type: Evaluation of an ongoing program.

Program Studied: Parent/Therapist Program.

Objectives: To compare the long-term effectiveness of three residential treatment programs - two traditional centres and one family-based alternative to residential care - on the academic, social, and emotional well-being of children with emotional and behavioural problems.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research. Cost-effectiveness or cost-benefit analysis. Outcome evaluation.

Data Sources: Client case records. Other program or agency records. Additional psychometric tests. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families.

Results: Six years after discharge from a residential treatment program, 52 children, ranging in age from 12 to 20 years, were followed-up. Seventeen had been in the Parent/Therapist (PT) program and the others in two treatment centres. All three groups appeared to be below average in reading, spelling and arithmetic. A vast majority of the youths (41 of the 52) had had police contact after discharge, and about half had spent some time in jail. There were no significant differences in academic progress or social outcomes between the groups. With respect to emotional health, five of the PT group and two of another had attempted suicide. All seven of these children had been discharged from residential treatment to their natural parents.

Relevant to: Treatment. Home support or community living.

Reports: Longitudinal Outcomes of Children in Residential Treatment: Implications for Methods of Treatment and Policy Formation.

Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS lottery funds

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts	40,000		
Core budget	2,400		
Estimated Total Costs	42,400		

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 42,400
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 42,400

POST-DISCHARGE CLIENT SATISFACTION WITH TREATMENT SERVICES

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a children's mental health centre
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	09/85 - ongoing.
Study Type:	Evaluation of an ongoing program.
Objectives:	To assess strengths and weaknesses in program services from the client's perspective. To obtain global estimates of treatment impact on children and their families.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research. Survey research. Outcome evaluation.
Data Sources:	Existing demographic data. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Telephone interviews with clients or families.
Results:	To be included in reports.
Relevant to:	Treatment. Home support or community living. Residential or group care.
Reports:	Reports are planned. Availability of reports will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources:	Core budget only

PREVALENCE OF ADOPTED CHILDREN IN A CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH CENTRE

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a children's mental health centre
Principal Investigator:	Dr. Laurence Jerome, Madame Vanier Children's Centre
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	01/85 - 01/86.
Objectives:	To examine the hypothesis that adopted children were over-represented in the clinic in comparison to expected numbers based on community prevalence.
Components:	Clinical research. Needs assessment.
Data Sources:	Existing demographic data. Client case records.
Results:	Adopted children seen in the agency during a ten year period were statistically over-represented by a factor of two based on accurate prevalence figures in the base community during the same time period. This study represents a confirmation of previous findings combined with improved study design compared to previous descriptions in the literature.
Relevant to:	Treatment. Casework or counselling.
Reports:	Prevalence of Adopted Children in a Children's Mental Health Centre. Access to report is limited to the professional community and agencies involved.

FUNDING

Sources:	Core budget only

PSYCHIATRIC DISORDERS IN ADOPTED CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a children's mental health centre
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	00/84 - 00/86.
Objectives:	To determine whether adopted children are more frequently referred to psychiatric services than expected. To identify the types of problems that they present; the associated circumstances or conditions; and management and prevention strategies.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Survey research. Needs assessment. Process evaluation. Outcome evaluation.
Data Sources:	Existing demographic data. Client case records. Other program or agency records.
Results:	Adopted children are referred to psychiatric services at a rate of 2.3 per cent higher than the general population. These patients tend to present more conduct disorders compared to the control group.
Relevant to:	Treatment.
Reports:	Psychiatric Disorders in Adopted Children and Adolescents. Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources:	Core budget only

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RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	06/83 - ongoing.
Program Studied:	Sexual Abuse: Family Education and Treatment (SAFE-T).
Objectives:	To develop and evaluate a program dealing with incest survivors and their families.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research.
Data Sources:	Existing demographic data. Client case records. Additional psychometric tests. Telephone interviews with clients or families. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families. Self-administered questionnaires for clients/families.
Results:	To be included in final report.
Relevant to:	Treatment.
Reports:	Research Project on Incest. Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources:	Thistletown Regional Centre

SEASONALITY OF BIRTH IN INFANTILE AUTISM

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: a children's mental health centre

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 01/85 - 10/85.

Objectives: To determine the season of birth of children with autism.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research.

Data Sources: Client case records.

Results: In contrast to the general population, whose births were distributed comparably across the four seasons, there was an excess of spring and summer births and an underrepresentation of winter and fall births for autistic youngsters.

Relevant to: Prevention.

Reports: Seasonality of Birth in Infantile Autism.

Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: Core budget only

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts			
Core budget		500	
Estimated Total Costs		500	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 500
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 500

SELF-CONTROL EVALUATION PROJECT #1

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a children's mental health centre
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	11/84 - 08/85.
Study Type:	Evaluation of an ongoing program.
Program Studied:	Pre-adolescent Milieu Day Program.
Objectives:	To assess the effectiveness of self-control instruction with emotionally disturbed youngsters.
Components:	Clinical research. Outcome evaluation.
Data Sources:	Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Self-administered questionnaires for teachers.
Results:	The instruction of specific self-control skills is effective in producing improvement both in the home and in the school. Role play, free time and tests are helpful for ensuring an adequate understanding of the material. A group size of four disturbed youngsters should be reduced to three in order to maximize the effectiveness of instruction.
Relevant to:	Day programming. Treatment. Residential or group care.
Reports:	Self-Control Evaluation Project #1 - Pre-adolescent Milieu Day Program. Access to reports is limited to agencies involved.

FUNDING

Sources:	Core budget only

SOCIAL SKILLS PROGRAM EVALUATION

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: a children's mental health centre

Principal Investigator: Dr. Joel Hundert, Niagara Child Development Centre

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 10/85 - 04/86.

Study Type: Evaluation of an ongoing program.

Program Studied: Community-based program.

Objectives: To determine the effectiveness of the program in identifying areas of social skill deficiency in children, and in teaching those skills in a way that generalizes to a number of situations.

Components: Outcome evaluation.

Data Sources: Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Structured observation. Teacher ratings.

Results: Teachers perceived positive changes in children's social skills, in children's behaviour, and in their level of attending in the classroom. Parents also perceived improvement, although not to the same extent as teachers had observed.

Relevant to: Day programming.

Reports: Social Skills Program Evaluation: Cherrywood Acres. Social Skills Program Evaluation: Our Lady of Good Counsel.

Reports are available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources: Core budget only

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts			
Core budget		300	
Estimated Total Costs		300	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 300
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 300

SOCIAL SKILLS TRAINING WITH AGGRESSIVE CHILDREN: A PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: a children's mental health centre

Principal Investigator: Bill Byrd and Dr. Debra Pepler, Earlscourt Child and Family Centre

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 09/85 - 05/86.

Study Type: Evaluation of an ongoing program.

Program Studied: Earlscourt Social Skills Program.

Objectives: To provide a preliminary evaluation of the effectiveness of the Earlscourt Social Skills Program in ameliorating aggressive and disruptive behaviour.

Components: Outcome evaluation.

Data Sources: Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families.

Results: Comparisons of parent and teacher ratings of child behaviour problems at admission and discharge indicated significant improvements in internalizing, externalizing and total behaviour problems exhibited by children.

Relevant to: Prevention. Day programming. Treatment.

Reports: Social Skills Training with Aggressive Children: A Preliminary Assessment.

Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources: Core budget only

SOME DIFFERENCES BETWEEN CHILDREN REFERRED TO A SEGREGATED DAY TREATMENT PROGRAM AND NON-REFERRED CHILDREN: AN ECOLOGICAL PERSPECTIVE

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a children's mental health centre
Principal Investigator:	Dr. Joel Hundert, Niagara Child Development Centre
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	03/84 - 10/85.
Program Studied:	Day Treatment Program.
Objectives:	To determine the distinguishing factors between children referred to schools and non-clinic children in the school. To examine the course of changes in the behaviour of the referred children after admission to the Day Treatment Program and the contribution of setting variables to those changes.
Components:	Descriptive program survey.
Data Sources:	Additional psychometric tests. Structured observation. Teacher ratings.
Results:	Target children were given a high rate of requests from teachers, displayed poor attention and low academic achievement, but did not display a higher rate of behaviour problems than comparison children. The following observations were made within the first six weeks of entry into the Day Treatment Program: reduced disruptive behaviour; increased attending and compliance; no significant improvement in academic achievement.
Relevant to:	Day programming. Treatment.
Reports:	Some Differences Between Children Referred to a Segregated Day Treatment Program and Non-referred Children: An Ecological Perspective. Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources: Core budget only

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts			
Core budget	500	500	
Estimated Total Costs	500	500	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 1,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 1,000

A STUDY OF CHILDREN'S AND ADOLESCENTS' MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES IN OTTAWA-CARLETON

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Kathy Stokely, District Health Council
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 06/83 - 07/85.

Objectives: To identify the needs of children and adolescents requiring mental health services. To identify the services which are currently available and the programs required in the next five to ten years. To determine the mechanisms needed to improve co-ordination and co-operation between service providers in Ottawa-Carleton.

Components: Needs assessment. Resources inventory. Descriptive program survey.

Data Sources: Existing demographic data. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families.

Results: The range, quantity and per capita funding of child and adolescent mental health services is higher than the provincial average. However, the child population is generally at lower risk for mental health problems than elsewhere in the province. The quality of locally available child and adolescent mental health services is perceived to be adequate. The study also identified significant service co-ordination problems as well as gaps in the delivery of some local mental health-related services.

Relevant to: Prevention.

Reports: A Study of Children's and Adolescents' Mental Health Services in Ottawa-Carleton.

Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Ottawa Area Office; Ministry of Health

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts	20,000		
Core budget	20,000		
Estimated Total Costs	40,000		

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 40,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 40,000

SURVEY OF UTILIZATION OF AND SERVICE DEMAND FOR ADOLESCENT INPATIENT FACILITIES

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Dr. Susan Bradley, Hospital for Sick Children
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	04/84 - 09/86.
Program Studied:	Selected children's psychiatric residential services in Metropolitan Toronto.
Objectives:	To gather information regarding quantity and type of service demands. To identify patterns of resource utilization. To identify gaps in service with respect to both the lack of available resources and the types of adolescents not being adequately served by currently available facilities.
Components:	Survey research. Needs assessment.
Data Sources:	Client case records. Other program or agency records.
Results:	Preliminary analysis indicates that 85 per cent of all referrals are appropriate, and of these, 50 per cent are admitted into facilities. The largest groups of those appropriate for admission include adolescents at risk for suicide, and those exhibiting other dangerous or bizarre behaviour.
Relevant to:	Treatment. Residential or group care.
Reports:	An Assessment of the Adequacy of Psychiatric Children's Beds in Metropolitan Toronto. Access to report is limited to agencies involved and MCSS.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Toronto Area Office (Children)

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts		8,000	
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs		8,000	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 8,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 8,000

THISTLETOWN REGIONAL CENTRE ADOLESCENT SERVICES PROGRAM EVALUATION REPORT

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

Principal Investigator: Dr. Kathy Boschen and Linda Littell, Thistletown Regional Centre

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 03/85 - 02/86.

Study Type: Evaluation of an ongoing program.

Program Studied: Thistletown Adolescent Services.

Objectives: To assess perceptions regarding the program from the perspectives of community agencies and schools which refer the adolescent clients to the program, and the perspective of their parents or legal guardians. To lay the groundwork for continuing systematic evaluation of the Thistletown Adolescent Services program.

Components: Survey research. Evaluability assessment. Process evaluation.

Data Sources: Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families.

Results: Included in reports.

Relevant to: Treatment. Residential or group care. Casework or counselling.

Reports: Thistletown Regional Centre Adolescent Services Program Evaluation Report.

Access to report is limited to MCSS.

FUNDING

Sources: Thistletown Regional Centre

TREATMENT OF CHILDREN FROM AN ECOLOGICAL STANDPOINT

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Dr. Benjamin Goldberg, C.P.R.I.
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 08/85 - 08/86.

Objectives: To specify ecological factors determining illness and recovery of disturbed children.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research.

Data Sources: Client case records. Other program or agency records.

Results: Included in final report.

Relevant to: Prevention. Treatment.

Reports: Broken Noses, Sex Abuse and Devils on Shoulders, submitted for publication.

Access to report is limited to the professional community.

FUNDING

Sources: C.P.R.I.

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts			
Core budget		5,000	
Estimated Total Costs		5,000	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 5,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 5,000

THE USE OF BIOFEEDBACK TRAINING WITH AGGRESSIVE ADOLESCENTS

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 01/86 - ongoing.

Program Studied: Thistletown Adolescent Services.

Objectives: To evaluate the effects of computerized biofeedback training with anti-social adolescents in treatment at Thistletown.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research. Laboratory research.

Data Sources: Client case records. Additional psychometric tests. Laboratory tests. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff.

Results: To be included in final report.

Relevant to: Treatment. Residential or group care. Casework or counselling.

Reports: Report is planned.

Report will be available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Applied Program Technology Unit

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts		7,500	
Core budget		2,000	
Estimated Total Costs		9,500	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 9,500
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 9,500

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THE 'AID' SHELTER FROM THE STORM

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a children's aid society
Principal Investigator:	Dr. Jeff Reitz, University of Toronto
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	10/85 - 10/86.
Objectives:	To assess the relationship between the Children's Aid Society of Metropolitan Toronto and two women's hostels and two family residences. To identify early on and avert any child welfare concerns among clients at these hostels/residences. To attempt to change negative opinions of CAS on the part of hostel staff and clientele.
Components:	Descriptive program survey.
Data Sources:	Client case records. Other program or agency records.
Results:	To be included in final report.
Relevant to:	Prevention. Casework or counselling.
Reports:	The 'Aid' Shelter from the Storm. Interim Report. Final Report. Access to reports is limited to agencies involved.

FUNDING

Sources: Children's Aid Society of Metropolitan Toronto Foundation

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts		4,700	
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs		4,700	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 4,700
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 4,700

BIBLIOGRAPHY OF ONTARIO RESOURCES ON FAMILY VIOLENCE

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Richard Carriere and Ashley Thompson, Laurentian University
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	01/85 - 08/85.
Objectives:	To develop an annotated bibliography of Ontario resources on family violence published from 1980 to 1984.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Survey research.
Data Sources:	Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff.
Results:	Included in final report.
Relevant to:	Prevention. Treatment. Casework or counselling.
Reports:	Bibliography of Ontario Resources on Family Violence - 1980-1984 Preparation and Printing. Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Child Abuse Prevention Program

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts	5,000	5,600	
Core budget	100	150	
Estimated Total Costs	5,100	5,750	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 10,850
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 10,850

CHILD ABUSE: A CHILD PROTECTION MANUAL FOR HOSPITALS IN ONTARIO

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	04/85 - 06/86.
Objectives:	To develop procedural guidelines for use in Ontario hospitals to help identify and report suspicions of child abuse.
Components:	Survey research. Resources inventory.
Data Sources:	Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff.
Results:	Included in final report.
Relevant to:	Prevention. Treatment. Casework or counselling.
Reports:	Child Abuse: A Child Protection Manual for Hospitals in Ontario. Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Child Abuse Prevention Program

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts		28,052	4,700
Core budget		300	100
Estimated Total Costs		28,352	4,800

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 28,352
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 33,152

CHILD ABUSE: PREVENTION AND TREATMENT INFORMATION BLITZ - PHASE II

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Raymond Lemay and Gylles Levesque, Children's Aid Society of Prescott-Russell
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	12/85 - 06/86.
Objectives:	To develop an information package dealing with the dynamics and reporting of child abuse for local professional services and agencies.
Components:	Needs assessment.
Data Sources:	Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff.
Results:	Included in final report.
Relevant to:	Prevention. Treatment. Casework or counselling.
Reports:	Child Abuse: Prevention and Treatment Information Blitz - Phase II. Campagne d'information sur la prevention des enfants maltraites - II (French). Availability of reports will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Child Abuse Prevention Program

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts		35,424	3,473
Core budget		2,000	200
Estimated Total Costs		37,424	3,673

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 37,424
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 41,097

CHILD ABUSE STUDY IN NIAGARA: PHASE I

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Steve Elson, Niagara Children's Services Committee
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	01/85 - 10/85.
Objectives:	To review existing services for dealing with child abuse in Niagara, including promotion, prevention and intervention programs. To review the literature in the areas of research, child abuse prevention models, and service delivery models.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Survey research. Resources inventory.
Data Sources:	Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff.
Results:	Included in final reports.
Relevant to:	Prevention.
Reports:	Child Abuse and Related Services. Preventing Child Abuse - A Review of Recent Programs. Physical and Sexual Child Abuse - A Comparative Study. Availability of reports will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Child Abuse Prevention Program

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts	14,000	740	
Core budget	250	150	
Estimated Total Costs	14,250	890	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 15,140
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 15,140

CHILD ABUSE TREATMENT NEEDS STUDY

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a children's aid society
Principal Investigator:	Don Winfield, Family and Children's Services of the County of Haldimand
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	12/85 - 06/86.
Objectives:	To identify service gaps with respect to child abuse.
Components:	Needs assessment. Descriptive program survey.
Data Sources:	Other program or agency records. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff.
Results:	The study identified gaps in child abuse education aimed at professionals. Gaps in psychological and psychiatric assessments were also identified. There is a need for group treatment programs, prevention, and education in Haldimand County.
Relevant to:	Prevention. Treatment. Casework or counselling.
Reports:	Child Abuse Treatment Needs Study. Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: London Area Office

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts		6,000	
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs		6,000	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 6,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 6,000

CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE SERVICES INVENTORY AND PROTOCOL

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Bob Gardner, Children's Aid Society of Kingston and Frontenac County
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	01/85 - 08/85.
Objectives:	To produce an inventory of services to increase public and professional awareness of child sexual abuse. To develop a co-ordinated response for identification, assessment and treatment.
Components:	Survey research. Resources inventory.
Data Sources:	Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff.
Results:	Included in final report.
Relevant to:	Prevention. Treatment. Casework or counselling.
Reports:	Kingston and District Sexual Abuse Inventory: Arm Your Child. Availability of reports will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Child Abuse Prevention Program

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts	3,690	410	
Core budget	150	150	
Estimated Total Costs	3,840	560	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 4,400
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 4,400

CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE TREATMENT SURVEY

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	08/85 - 10/86.
Objectives:	To identify existing and potential treatment services for sexual abuse as defined in the Child and Family Services Act and the Guidelines for Reporting Sexual Abuse to the Child Abuse Register. To determine the potential for improving service co-ordination.
Components:	Survey research. Resources inventory. Descriptive program survey.
Data Sources:	Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff.
Results:	To be included in final report.
Relevant to:	Treatment.
Reports:	Child Sexual Abuse Treatment Survey. Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS purchase of service contract: Southeast Regional Office

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts		8,000	6,000
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs		8,000	6,000

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 8,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 14,000

CHILDREN OF ABUSE: THEY NEED ALL OF US

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	01/85 - 10/85.
Objectives:	To identify local services, resources and programs concerned with problems of child abuse. To develop a directory of services, a professional handbook and a universal reporting form for child abuse.
Components:	Resources inventory.
Data Sources:	Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff.
Results:	Included in final report.
Relevant to:	Prevention.
Reports:	Children of Abuse: They Need All of Us. Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Child Abuse Prevention Program

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts	12,614	1,401	
Core budget	200	200	
Estimated Total Costs	12,814	1,601	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 14,415
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 14,415

CHILD-REARING PROBLEMS IN ONTARIO: A SURVEY OF PARENTS - PHASE I

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

Principal Investigator: Dr. Jeffrey Reitz and Dr. Rona Abramovitch, University of Toronto

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 11/85 - 03/86.

Objectives: To develop a research framework for a comprehensive survey of Ontario parents to learn about the extent and severity of problems they experience in raising their children.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature.

Data Sources: Key informants.

Results: Included in final report.

Relevant to: Prevention.

Reports: Development of Research Framework.

Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Child Abuse Prevention Program

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts		21,600	100,000
Core budget		2,000	
Estimated Total Costs		23,600	100,000

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 23,600
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 123,600

A DIRECTORY OF RESOURCES IN SAULT STE. MARIE RELATED TO CHILD ABUSE

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Jude Lake, Child Abuse Prevention Council
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	01/85 - 10/85.
Objectives:	To develop a directory of existing resources. To identify gaps in services.
Components:	Survey research. Needs assessment.
Data Sources:	Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff.
Results:	Included in final report.
Relevant to:	Prevention. Treatment. Casework or counselling.
Reports:	Child Abuse Resource Directory. Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Child Abuse Prevention Program

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts	6,630	700	
Core budget	100	200	
Estimated Total Costs	6,730	900	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 7,630
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 7,630

AN EVALUATION OF ACHENBACH'S CHILD BEHAVIOUR CHECKLIST IN THE SCREENING, PLACEMENT, AND EVALUATION PROCEDURES OF A CHILD WELFARE AGENCY

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Dr. H. Bruce Ferguson, Carleton University
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 04/82 - 10/86.

Objectives: To evaluate the usefulness of the Achenbach Child Behaviour Checklist in assisting child welfare agency staff with the assessment and placement of children coming into care.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature. Assessment tool evaluation.

Data Sources: Additional psychometric tests.

Results: Included in final report.

Relevant to: Residential or group care. Casework or counselling.

Reports: An Evaluation of Achenbach's Child Behaviour Checklist in the Screening, Placement, and Evaluation Procedures of a Child Welfare Agency.

Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS lottery funds

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts	96,898		
Core budget	3,300		
Estimated Total Costs	100,198		

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 100,198
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 100,198

HANDBOOK FOR COMMUNITY HEALTH NURSES

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

Principal Investigator: Mary Lou Walker, Department of Public Health

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 02/85 - 06/86.

Objectives: To develop a professional handbook for Ontario Public Health Nurses.

Components: Survey research. Resources inventory.

Data Sources: Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff. Telephone interviews with MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff.

Results: Included in final report.

Relevant to: Prevention. Treatment. Casework or counselling.

Reports: Handbook for Community Health Nurses.

Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Child Abuse Prevention Program

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts		4,282	4,290
Core budget		50	50
Estimated Total Costs		4,332	4,340

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 4,332
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 8,672

IMPACT OF SEXUAL ABUSE PREVENTION MATERIALS, PARENT RESPONSES: PHASE I

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Dr. Susan Painter, Carleton University
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	03/85 - 09/86.
Objectives:	To study the impact on parents of preschoolers to two sexual abuse prevention programs.
Components:	Clinical research.
Data Sources:	Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff. Structured observation.
Results:	To be included in final report.
Relevant to:	Prevention. Casework or counselling.
Reports:	Impact of Sexual Abuse Prevention Materials, Parent Responses: Phase I. Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Child Abuse Prevention Program

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts		18,000	5,200
Core budget		200	100
Estimated Total Costs		18,200	5,300

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 18,200
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 23,500

AN INTERAGENCY CHILD ABUSE PROJECT TO ENHANCE THE CO-ORDINATION OF SERVICES IN THE ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL CATCHMENT AREA

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Steve Cowley, St. Joseph's Hospital
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	01/85 - 10/85.
Objectives:	To identify the priorities of relevant departments and services with regard to child abuse. To identify strengths and weaknesses of the Hospital/Agency liaison in the management of child abuse. To develop procedural guidelines.
Components:	Survey research. Needs assessment. Descriptive program survey.
Data Sources:	Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff.
Results:	Included in final report.
Relevant to:	Prevention. Treatment. Casework or counselling.
Reports:	An Interagency Child Abuse Project to Enhance the Co-ordination of Services in the St. Joseph's Hospital Catchment Area. Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Child Abuse Prevention Program

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts	19,700	2,200	
Core budget	100	200	
Estimated Total Costs	19,800	2,400	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 22,200
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 22,200

INTERAGENCY CHILD ABUSE PROTOCOL REVIEW, PHASE I

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Dr. Dan Offord, Chedoke-McMaster Hospitals
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 10/85 - 06/86.

Objectives: To determine how to develop, implement, review and effectively use interagency child abuse protocols to ensure maximum community collaboration.

Components: Survey research. Needs assessment.

Data Sources: Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff. Telephone interviews with MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff.

Results: To be included in final report.

Relevant to: Prevention. Treatment. Casework or counselling.

Reports: Interagency Child Abuse Protocol Review, Phase I.

Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Child Abuse Prevention Program

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts		30,876	885
Core budget		300	100
Estimated Total Costs		31,176	985

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 31,176
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 32,161

INVESTIGATING THE LONG-TERM EFFECTIVENESS OF PARENTING FOR TEENS AND CHILDREN: PHASES I AND II

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

Principal Investigator: John Lewko, Laurentian University

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 09/85 - 09/86.

Objectives: To examine the long-term effectiveness of a school parenting program (which had been a Child Abuse Prevention Program (CAPP)-funded demonstration project). To determine how enrollment in the course, particularly for male students, can be increased.

Components: Survey research.

Data Sources: Client case records. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Telephone interviews with clients or families. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff.

Results: To be included in final report.

Relevant to: Prevention.

Reports: Investigating the Long-term Effectiveness of Parenting for Teens and Children: Phases I and II.

Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Child Abuse Prevention Program

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts		28,450	12,000
Core budget		2,000	120
Estimated Total Costs		30,450	12,120

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 30,450
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 42,570

LONDON AND MIDDLESEX TASK FORCE ON SEXUAL ABUSE: SERVICE DIRECTORY

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Diane Paterson, London and Middlesex Task Force on Sexual Abuse
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	01/85 - 05/85.
Objectives:	To compile a directory of therapeutic services relating to child sexual abuse in the London-Middlesex area.
Components:	Survey research. Resources inventory.
Data Sources:	Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff.
Results:	Included in final report.
Relevant to:	Prevention. Treatment. Casework or counselling.
Reports:	Sexual Abuse of Children: A Directory of Services for London and Middlesex. Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Child Abuse Prevention Program

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts	2,160	475	
Core budget	150	50	
Estimated Total Costs	2,310	525	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 2,835
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 2,835

MUSKOKA RESOURCE NETWORK FOR COMMUNITY AWARENESS AND PREVENTION OF CHILD ABUSE

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Maggie Ringling, Muskoka District Children's Services Advisory Group
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 09/85 - 06/86.

Objectives: To collect and review child abuse resources and prepare an annotated listing.

Components: Needs assessment. Resources inventory.

Data Sources: Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff. Telephone interviews with MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff.

Results: To be included in report.

Relevant to: Prevention. Treatment. Casework or counselling.

Reports: Muskoka Resource Network for Community Awareness and Prevention of Child Abuse.

Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Child Abuse Prevention Program

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts		3,354	353
Core budget		50	
Estimated Total Costs		3,404	353

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 3,404
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 3,757

NATIVE CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT: A BIBLIOGRAPHY OF CANADIAN RESOURCES - PHASE I

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Richard Carriere and Ashley Thompson, Laurentian University
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	01/85 - 07/86.
Objectives:	To prepare an annotated bibliography which identifies all Canadian documents and resources related to child abuse and neglect in Native populations. To identify limitations and gaps in the literature and resource inventory.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Survey research. Needs assessment. Resources inventory.
Data Sources:	Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff.
Results:	Included in report.
Relevant to:	Prevention. Treatment.
Reports:	Native Child Abuse and Neglect: A Bibliography of Canadian Resources - Phase I. Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Child Abuse Prevention Program

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts	8,000	2,900	
Core budget	100	100	
Estimated Total Costs	8,100	3,000	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 11,100
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 11,100

NEEDS ASSESSMENT OF THE AREA COVERED BY THE MIDLAND BRANCH OFFICE OF SIMCOE COUNTY CHILDREN'S AID SOCIETY

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: a children's aid society

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 06/85 - 09/86.

Program Studied: Simcoe County Children's Aid Society - North Branch.

Objectives: To assess the needs and service delivery system of the area covered by the Midland Branch Office of Simcoe County CAS (i.e., Midland, Penetanguishene and Elmvale).

Components: Survey research. Needs assessment. Resources inventory.

Data Sources: Existing demographic data. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff.

Results: Included in final report.

Relevant to: Prevention. Home support or community living.

Reports: Needs Assessment of the Area Covered by the Midland Branch Office of Simcoe County Children's Aid Society.

Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources: Canada Employment and Immigration: Job Development

OMA/OACAS SURVEY

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: an Ontario-wide association

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 03/85 - 09/85.

Objectives: To determine the nature of co-operation between medical doctors and Children's Aid Society personnel in the area of child abuse. To develop recommendations to overcome barriers to co-operation.

Components: Needs assessment.

Data Sources: Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff.

Results: The survey confirmed the need for the OMA/OACAS committee. CASs should continue to provide consultative services to physicians and other community professionals to encourage early intervention and appropriate referral, and ensure all physicians are aware of protection and prevention services. The following recommendations are also made: the development of a policy on the payment of fees to medical practitioners assessing child abuse cases; progress reports for community professionals who report cases of child abuse; the development of alternative methods in consultation with the local family court for physicians to provide evidence to expedite the court process; community meetings to encourage communication and provide information about the Child and Family Services Act and Child Welfare Services.

Relevant to: Prevention. Treatment. Casework or counselling.

Reports: Physicians Working with the CAS: A Co-operative Relationship.

Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: Core budget only

PRIMARY DATA COLLECTION AND ANALYSIS FOR DEVELOPING PROFESSIONAL/PUBLIC COMMUNITY AWARENESS OF CHILD ABUSE AND FAMILY VIOLENCE

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

Principal Investigator: Glenn Elliott, Durham Region Committee on Child Abuse and Family Violence

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 01/85 - 01/86.

Objectives: To identify problem areas and strategies for dealing with these in the area of professional and public awareness of child abuse and family violence in Durham Region.

Components: Needs assessment.

Data Sources: Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff.

Results: Included in final report.

Relevant to: Prevention. Treatment. Casework or counselling.

Reports: Primary Data Collection and Analysis for Developing Professional/Public Community Awareness of Child Abuse and Family Violence.

Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Child Abuse Prevention Program

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts	10,950		
Core budget	400	200	
Estimated Total Costs	11,350	200	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 11,550
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 11,550

PROTOCOL DEVELOPMENT AND RELATED EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	10/85 - 09/86.
Objectives:	To develop a community protocol for responding to child abuse and for training users of the protocol.
Components:	Survey research. Resources inventory.
Data Sources:	Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff.
Results:	To be included in report.
Relevant to:	Prevention. Treatment. Casework or counselling.
Reports:	Report is planned. Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Child Abuse Prevention Program

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts		20,038	8,587
Core budget		200	100
Estimated Total Costs		20,238	8,687

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 20,238
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 28,925

PROVISION AND EVALUATION OF A TREATMENT PROGRAM FOR OUTPATIENT SEX OFFENDERS

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

Principal Investigator: William Marshall, Queen's University

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 02/86 - 07/87.

Study Type: Evaluation of a demonstration or pilot project.

Program Studied: Treatment Program for Outpatient Sex Offenders.

Objectives: To evaluate the treatment program. To develop an assessment manual describing assessment instructions and methodology for use in the treatment of sex offenders.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research. Outcome evaluation.

Data Sources: Client case records. Additional psychometric tests. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families. Structured observation.

Results: To be included in final report.

Relevant to: Treatment.

Reports: Provision and Evaluation of a Treatment Program for Outpatient Sex Offenders.

Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Child Abuse Prevention Program

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts		15,000	100,000
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs		15,000	100,000

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 15,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 115,000

RESPONDING TO ALLEGATIONS OF CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE - A DESCRIPTION OF THE 1984 EXPERIENCE OF THE FAMILY AND CHILDREN'S SERVICES OF LONDON AND MIDDLESEX

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a children's aid society
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	01/85 - 05/86.
Objectives:	To develop a data base concerning the agency's 1984 experience with child sexual abuse referrals and their investigation. To examine its relevance and importance to both agency and community concerns.
Components:	Descriptive program survey.
Data Sources:	Client case records. Other program or agency records.
Results:	Mandated agencies use different 'units of analysis' for assessing the incidence and prevalence of abuse. There are, among abusers and victims, certain age groups and various family structures which, when delineated, could serve as foci for examining protocols, subsequent treatment approaches and differential efforts at public education.
Relevant to:	Prevention.
Reports:	Responding to Allegations of Child Sexual Abuse - A Description of the 1984 Experience of the Family and Children's Services of London and Middlesex. Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Child Abuse Prevention Program

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts		13,030	
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs		13,030	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 13,030
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 13,030

A REVIEW OF DOCUMENTATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF GUIDELINES ON REPORTING SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE CASES IN THE PEMBROKE AREA HOSPITAL

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Ron Groskleg, Family and Children's Services of Renfrew County
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	01/85 - 02/86.
Program Studied:	Family and Children's Services and Pembroke Area Hospital.
Objectives:	To review documented cases of suspected abuse over a 24-month period at Family and Children's Services and Pembroke Area Hospital. To provide a statistical base for the development and implementation of protocol and procedures to be used by the medical community and Family and Children's Services in the investigation of suspected abuse. To examine the expectations and perceptions that medical professionals and social workers have of each other when dealing with cases of suspected abuse.
Components:	Survey research. Needs assessment. Descriptive program survey.
Data Sources:	Client case records. Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff.
Results:	Included in final report.
Relevant to:	Prevention. Treatment. Casework or counselling.
Reports:	A Review of Documentation for the Purpose of Development and Implementation of Guidelines on Reporting Suspected Child Abuse Cases in the Pembroke Area Hospital. Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Child Abuse Prevention Program

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts	11,600	1,300	
Core budget	250	150	
Estimated Total Costs	11,850	1,450	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 13,300
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 13,300

SCHOOL SYSTEMS IN ONTARIO: A PROVINCE-WIDE STUDY OF SCHOOLS AND THEIR RESPONSE TO THE PROBLEM OF CHILD ABUSE

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	04/84 - 08/86.
Objectives:	To determine the current level of knowledge and practice of schools and teachers with regard to child abuse.
Components:	Survey research. Needs assessment.
Data Sources:	Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff.
Results:	To be included in final report.
Relevant to:	Prevention.
Reports:	School Systems in Ontario: A Province-wide Study of Schools and Their Response to the Problem of Child Abuse. Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Child Abuse Prevention Program

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts	25,870	19,000	
Core budget	500	350	
Estimated Total Costs	26,370	19,350	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 45,720
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 45,720

SEXUAL ABUSE OF CHILDREN IN LONDON AND MIDDLESEX

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Colin McEachern, Family and Children's Services of London and Middlesex
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	01/85 - 06/86.
Program Studied:	Family and Children's Services of London and Middlesex.
Objectives:	To identify some common characteristics of known victims of child sexual abuse and family profiles where such abuse has occurred. To identify the sequence of events that follows the reporting of suspected child sexual abuse to the police or the crown attorney. To identify gaps in service, or anomalies in existing procedure and treatment needs which are not currently being met.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Descriptive program survey.
Data Sources:	Client case records.
Results:	Included in final report.
Relevant to:	Prevention. Treatment. Casework or counselling.
Reports:	Responding to Allegations of Sexual Abuse of Children. Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Child Abuse Prevention Program

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts	10,000	3,000	
Core budget	200	100	
Estimated Total Costs	10,200	3,100	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 10,200
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 13,300

SEXUAL ABUSE OF CHILDREN: ISSUES AND INTERVENTION

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 01/85 - 08/86.

Objectives: To produce a new publication on sexual abuse of children which would include: essays dealing with child sexual abuse; an annotated bibliography of recent publications (1982-86); a filmography of recent films; and sources where materials on sexual abuse can be obtained.

Components: Resources inventory.

Data Sources: Canadian essays on child sexual abuse. Other materials on child sexual abuse.

Results: Included in final report.

Relevant to: Prevention. Treatment. Casework or counselling.

Reports: Sexual Abuse of Children in the 1980s.

Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Child Abuse Prevention Program

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts	2,000	2,000	1,613
Core budget		200	100
Estimated Total Costs	2,000	2,200	1,713

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 4,200
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 5,913

SEXUAL ABUSE PROTOCOL PROJECT

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 07/85 - 09/86.

Objectives: To develop a protocol for dealing with child sexual abuse for use by the Crown, police and CAS and to train users of the protocol.

Components: Needs assessment.

Data Sources: Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff.

Results: To be included in final report.

Relevant to: Prevention. Treatment. Casework or counselling.

Reports: Sexual Abuse Protocol Project.

Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Child Abuse Prevention Program

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts		9,820	4,910
Core budget		200	100
Estimated Total Costs		10,020	5,010

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 10,020
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 15,030

STORMONT, DUNDAS AND GLENGARRY CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION PROJECT: PHASE I

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	01/85 - 05/85.
Objectives:	To identify, within the human service agencies, the current level of awareness of the child abuse problem and the current needs of each agency with regard to training and procedural guidelines for managing and reporting cases of child abuse. To create a mechanism whereby measures are initiated to meet the training and procedural guideline needs of the agency.
Components:	Survey research. Needs assessment. Resources inventory.
Data Sources:	Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff.
Results:	Included in final report.
Relevant to:	Prevention. Treatment. Casework or counselling.
Reports:	Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry Child Abuse Prevention Project: Phase I. Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Child Abuse Prevention Program

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts	6,800	620	
Core budget	250	150	
Estimated Total Costs	7,050	770	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 7,820
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 7,820

STORYTELLING ENRICHMENT PROGRAM, PHASE III (FATHER GOOSE)

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a children's aid society
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	10/85 - 12/85.
Study Type:	Evaluation of a demonstration or pilot project.
Program Studied:	Storytelling Enrichment Program, Phase III (Father Goose).
Objectives:	To determine the effectiveness of Mother Goose storytelling techniques in teaching relationship skills to fathers. To assess the increase in positive interaction between the fathers and their infants.
Components:	Outcome evaluation.
Data Sources:	Existing demographic data. Client case records. Other program or agency records. Telephone interviews with clients or families. Telephone interviews with MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families.
Results:	To be included in final report.
Relevant to:	Prevention.
Reports:	Storytelling Enrichment Program, Phase III (Father Goose). Interim Report. Final Report. Availability of reports will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: Children's Aid Society of Metropolitan Toronto Foundation

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts		3,098	
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs		3,098	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 3,098
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 3,098

Operational costs of the demonstration/pilot project:		13,701	

Sources of operational funds: Children's Aid Society of Metropolitan Toronto Foundation

STUDY ON THE USEFULNESS OF ANATOMICALLY-CORRECT DOLLS IN ASSESSING CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE: DESIGN AND FEASIBILITY

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	12/85 - 03/86.
Objectives:	To assess the validity and reliability of different responses and behaviours of the child as indicators of whether or not sexual abuse has occurred. To develop guidelines for their use.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research.
Data Sources:	Client case records. Structured observation.
Results:	Valid and reliable research using a controlled study group is possible. The research design for such a study was developed.
Relevant to:	Treatment.
Reports:	Study on the Usefulness of Anatomically-correct Dolls in Assessing Child Sexual Abuse: Design and Feasibility. Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Child Abuse Prevention Program

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts		8,000	
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs		8,000	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 8,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 8,000

TEACHER TRAINING AND SUPPORT PROGRAM

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

Principal Investigator: Maria Crawford, Kenora Child Abuse Council

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 01/85 - 06/85.

Objectives: To study teachers' knowledge, attitudes and experiences in the area of child abuse and develop a support network.

Components: Survey research. Needs assessment.

Data Sources: Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff.

Results: Included in final report.

Relevant to: Prevention.

Reports: Kenora Child Abuse Council: Teacher Training and Support Program - Final Report.

Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Child Abuse Prevention Program

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts	11,219	932	
Core budget	450	150	
Estimated Total Costs	11,669	1,082	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 12,751
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 12,751

TORONTO STREET YOUTH PROJECT: EVALUATION

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 02/85 - 11/85.

Study Type: Evaluation of a demonstration/pilot project.

Program Studied: Toronto Street Youth Project.

Objectives: To determine for the early months of project operations: success in implementation; project utilization; client characteristics and problems; project dispositions and drop-outs; and short-term case outcomes.

Components: Process evaluation. Outcome evaluation.

Data Sources: Client case records. Other program or agency records. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff.

Results: The three-phase TSYP model has proven to be a feasible one. No serious obstacles to its implementation have developed. As of November 30, 1985, the program had admitted 119 youths. Of these, 16 were still with the project and 76 had been discharged to other care.

Relevant to: Rehabilitation. Residential or group care. Casework or counselling.

Reports: The Toronto Street Youth Project Interim Evaluation Report.

Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS purchase of service contract: Research and Program Evaluation Unit

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts		2,825	
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs		2,825	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 2,825
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 2,825

Operational costs of the demonstration/pilot project: 1,502,000

Sources of operational funds: Toronto Area Office

WELLINGTON COUNTY CHILD ABUSE NEEDS AND RESOURCES STUDY

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Dr. Nancy Cameron, Wellington County Interagency Coordinating Committee on Child Abuse
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	01/85 - 06/86.
Objectives:	To develop a more co-ordinated approach to the provision of services for child sexual abuse in Wellington County. To catalogue the various services offered by agencies in the County. To identify gaps in services in the area of child sexual abuse.
Components:	Needs assessment.
Data Sources:	Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff.
Results:	To be included in final report.
Relevant to:	Prevention. Treatment. Casework or counselling.
Reports:	Wellington County Child Abuse Needs and Resources Study. Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Child Abuse Prevention Program

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts	9,302		1,033
Core budget	450	100	100
Estimated Total Costs	9,752	100	1,133

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 9,852
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 10,985

YORK REGION ABUSE PROGRAM - DESIGN PHASE

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 03/86 - 08/86.

Study Type: Evaluation of a demonstration or pilot project.

Program Studied: York Region Abuse Program.

Objectives: To design a program model and evaluation, and to develop a program which includes training and crisis support groups.

Components: Evaluability assessment.

Data Sources: Other program or agency records. Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff.

Results: Included in final report.

Relevant to: Prevention.

Reports: York Region Abuse Program - Design Phase.

Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Child Abuse Prevention Program

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts	4,000	12,000	12,085
Core budget	100	500	500
Estimated Total Costs	4,100	12,500	12,585

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 16,600
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 29,185

YOUTH IN ACTION

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	an Ontario-wide association
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	03/85 - 08/85.
Objectives:	To encourage discussion and information exchange between service providers and constituents. To identify the needs of teenage wards.
Components:	Descriptive program survey.
Data Sources:	Face-to-face interviews with teen-age clients.
Results:	The OACAS and its member agencies should allocate funds for teen wards and other consumer groups to attend the annual conference. CASs should encourage the establishment of advocacy groups for teens within the agency, and consider older teen wards as potential CAS advocates. The OACAS should provide the forum, facilities and the avenues of communication to link such groups. Conference workshop participants also urged the OACAS to consider the following changes: increased awareness among CAS wards approaching the age of majority about their rights and responsibilities; CAS support and services to teen wards through extended care and maintenance; the development of life skills groups in all Ontario CASs; consideration of a child's age, gender, cultural background and anticipated length of time in care along with the circumstances of the foster home when placement is planned, and in the assignment of a worker; assignment of an older teen ward as a big brother or sister to younger wards; encouraging foster parents and workers to maintain a relationship with wards following age 18 and graduation from care.
Relevant to:	Prevention. Treatment. Casework or counselling.
Reports:	Youth in Action. Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources:	Ontario Association of Children's Aid Societies; International Youth Year Grant

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AUDITORY PERCEPTUAL SKILLS OF LANGUAGE IMPAIRED CHILDREN

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	07/85 - 12/89.
Objectives:	To assess the hearing ability and auditory perceptual skills among children receiving treatment for language problems. To determine if a battery of tests can be developed to assess auditory perceptual skills with non-language-based assessment tools. To conduct similar assessment procedures on developmentally handicapped clients with poor language skills.
Components:	Clinical research.
Data Sources:	Client case records. Laboratory tests.
Results:	There is a high incidence of conductive (medically correctable) hearing loss among language impaired children.
Relevant to:	Prevention. Rehabilitation. Treatment.
Reports:	Auditory Perceptual Skills of Language Impaired Children. Access to report is limited to MCSS, agencies involved and the professional community.

FUNDING

Sources: Other MCSS funds or services: Surrey Place Centre

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts			
Core budget		2,000	2,000
Estimated Total Costs		2,000	2,000

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 2,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 4,000

IDENTIFICATION OF HIGH RISK CHILDREN

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: a children's mental health centre

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 11/84 - 05/85.

Objectives: To determine if IQ scores obtained on the Peabody Picture Vocabulary Test (PPVT) administered prior to formal education can predict learning disabilities.

Components: Clinical research.

Data Sources: Client case records. Other program or agency records.

Results: The study did not reliably identify any predictive antecedents of learning disabilities other than scores obtained on the PPVT. The study illustrated the need for the development of a standardized battery of tests that would accurately predict the development of learning disabilities.

Relevant to: Prevention. Day programming. Treatment.

Reports: Identification of High Risk Children.

Access to report is limited to agencies involved.

FUNDING

Sources: Core budget only

SPECIFIC READING DISABILITIES: AN INVESTIGATION OF SUBTYPES, REMEDIATION AND OUTCOME

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 04/81 - 05/85.

Objectives: To compare the effectiveness of three treatment approaches for helping children with different types of reading disability.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research.

Data Sources: Additional psychometric tests.

Results: Children in three treatment programs (two experimental remedial and one alternative treatment control) showed improvement on most measures of reading and spelling acquisition. However, there were a number of generalized and treatment-specific effects for the remedial groups that were significantly greater than those for the control group (e.g., improvement in word recognition skills, contextual reading, oral vocabulary, and spelling pronounceable non-words, as well as in two non-reading measures - the rapid naming of letters and the blending of individual speech sounds). Several treatment-specific effects observed in the experimental tests were not replicated in the standardized tests purportedly measuring the same skills.

Relevant to: Treatment.

Reports: Sentential Structure and the Perceptual Spans of Two Samples of Disabled Readers. A Developmental Perspective on Reading Dysfunction: Accuracy and Rate Criteria in the Subtyping of Dyslexic Children. Sentential Structure and the Perceptual Span in Normal Reading Development. The Search for Subtypes of Specific Reading Disability: Reflections from a Cognitive Perspective.

Reports are available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS lottery funds

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts	154,284		
Core budget	4,700		
Estimated Total Costs	158,984		

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 158,984
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 158,984

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AN ADDRESS TO THE PROBLEM OF DROOLING IN CEREBRAL PALSY THROUGH AN INVESTIGATION OF ORAL MOTOR FUNCTION AND ITS REMEDIATION

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	04/82 - 07/85.
Objectives:	To discern the oral motor factors that cause drooling, and the interrelationship between swallowing and drooling. To evaluate the effectiveness of treatment techniques aimed at teaching children with cerebral palsy to control their drooling rather than resorting to radical treatments such as surgery.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research.
Data Sources:	Structured observation. Biofeedback.
Results:	Normal children maintained a very specific and minimally changing oral motor pattern during a swallow, and a significant degree of variation existed between individuals. Subconscious swallowing rates varied both within an individual between sessions, and between individuals. Children with cerebral palsy demonstrated a swallowing reflex similar to that of the normal children, but a diminished ability to control the initial preparatory phase of the swallow. With respect to subconscious swallowing, the non-drooling cerebral palsy children swallowed at about 75 per cent of the normal rate, and the children who drooled at 45 per cent of the rate. After biofeedback training for control of the muscles around the mouth and training to increase the frequency of swallowing, there was a significant decrease in drooling rate and some increase in swallowing frequency. The decrease in drooling rate was attributed to better oral motor control after the biofeedback training.
Relevant to:	Treatment.
Reports:	An Innovative Approach to the Remediation of Drooling in Cerebral Palsy. Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS lottery funds

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts	69,437		
Core budget	3,300		
Estimated Total Costs	72,737		

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 72,737
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 72,737

ASSESSMENT OF FEEDING THERAPIES: A MULTIDISCIPLINARY EVALUATION OF TREATMENT METHODS FOR SEVERELY DISABLED CHILDREN USING AN INNOVATIVE ASSESSMENT PROTOCOL

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 04/83 - 02/86.

Objectives: To develop a standard protocol for assessing feeding disorders. To use the protocol to obtain long-term profiles of patients with respect to treatment efficiency, oral-motor development, and dietary and nutritional status.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research.

Data Sources: Client case records. Structured observation.

Results: The Multidisciplinary Feeding Profile (MFP) was developed, the first statistically-based protocol for the assessment of feeding problems of severely disabled children. In a study with 19 subjects who were dependent feeders, overall agreement among the raters was well within the standards set by other investigators. A pilot study, conducted with seven subjects over a six-month period, indicated that the MFP was sensitive enough to measure changes in feeding performance over time.

Relevant to: Treatment.

Reports: Assessment of Feeding Therapies: A Multidisciplinary Evaluation of Treatment Methods for Severely Disabled Children Using an Innovative Assessment Protocol.

Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS lottery funds

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts	63,968		
Core budget	4,000		
Estimated Total Costs	67,968		

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 67,968
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 67,968

COMMUNITY SURVEY OF CHILDREN'S ATTITUDES TOWARD DISABILITY

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: a children's mental health centre

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 01/85 - 06/86.

Objectives: To evaluate the determinants of children's and parents' attitudes toward disability. To evaluate the relative role of a number of factors which might contribute to attitude formation. To assess attitudes toward "retarded" and "disabled" children.

Components: Survey research.

Data Sources: Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families.

Results: Preliminary data analysis suggests that friendship with disabled children, gender (female), contact with the disabled, and a number of aspects of self-esteem are important determinants of children's attitudes toward disability. Determinants of parents' attitudes are still being evaluated.

Relevant to: Prevention. Rehabilitation.

Reports: Community Survey of Children's Attitudes Toward Disability.

Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: Easter Seal Research Institute

DEVELOPMENT AND VALIDATION OF A GROSS MOTOR FUNCTION MEASURE FOR CHILDREN WITH CEREBRAL PALSY

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: a children's mental health centre

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 07/84 - 07/86.

Objectives: To develop and validate a measure of motor function in children with cerebral palsy, particularly with respect to "responsiveness to change".

Components: Clinical research. Laboratory research.

Data Sources: Client case records. Laboratory tests. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Telephone interviews with clients or families. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families. Structured observation.

Results: Included in final report.

Relevant to: Rehabilitation. Day programming.

Reports: Development and Validation of a Gross Motor Function Measure for Children with Cerebral Palsy.

Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: Easter Seal Research Institute of Ontario

EFFECTS OF PYRIDOXINE AND PYRIDOXAL 5 PHOSPHATE ON THE REQUIREMENT OF VALPROIC ACID AND OTHER ANTICONVULSANTS FOR SEIZURE CONTROL

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 09/85 - ongoing.

Objectives: To decrease doses of conventional anticonvulsants necessary to effect seizure control, thereby minimizing the risk of their side effects.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research. Laboratory research.

Data Sources: Client case records. Laboratory tests. Telephone interviews with clients or families. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families. Structured observation.

Results: Administration of pyridoxine (vitamin B-6), necessitated by documented pyridoxal 5 phosphate deficiency, was found to decrease the daily requirement of valproic acid and carbamazepine for seizure control.

Relevant to: Prevention. Rehabilitation. Treatment.

Reports: Treatment of Pyridoxal Phosphate (B-6-P) Deficiency During Anticonvulsant Medication: Effects on Two Haem Synthesizing Enzymes.

Access to report is limited to the professional community.

FUNDING

Sources: C.P.R.I.

EVALUATIONS OF STRESS BY PARENTS AND PROFESSIONALS

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: a children's mental health centre

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 06/83 - 07/85.

Objectives: To compare parents' and professionals' ratings of children's symptoms of autism, and to determine how stressful each of these symptoms was to the family.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature. Survey research.

Data Sources: Existing demographic data. Client case records. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families.

Results: There was considerable agreement between mothers and fathers on absolute stress ratings of each symptom and relative ratings among the symptoms. Symptoms rated as most stressful included the child's verbal language impairments, the overall cognitive deficit and difficulties in interactions. Professionals rated the children's symptoms as significantly more autistic, and perceived the families as being more highly stressed than did families themselves.

Relevant to: Treatment.

Reports: Evaluations of Stress by Parents and Professionals.

Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: Core budget only

SOCIAL FUNCTIONING OF DISABLED SCHOOL CHILDREN INTEGRATED INTO REGULAR CLASSES

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: a children's mental health centre

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 10/84 - 06/86.

Objectives: To assess the social competence of children with a physical and/or functional disability, who are integrated at least fifty percent into an age-appropriate regular class.

Components: Clinical research. Survey research.

Data Sources: Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families.

Results: In general, physically disabled children in regular classes cope as well as their peers. They are judged to be more anxious, worried and less mature than their peers (by parents) and somewhat more "depressed". They play somewhat less with peers than matched controls, and have many more physical and educational needs than matched peers.

Relevant to: Prevention. Rehabilitation. Treatment.

Reports: Social Functioning of Disabled School Children Integrated Into Regular Classes.

Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: Health and Welfare Canada - National Health Research Development Program; Hospital for Sick Children Foundation

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AUDITORY RESPONSE BEHAVIOURS OF DEVELOPMENTALLY DELAYED INFANTS

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	10/84 - 12/87.
Objectives:	To monitor changes in the response behaviours to auditory stimuli among developmentally delayed infants according to developmental maturation.
Components:	Clinical research.
Data Sources:	Client case records. Additional psychometric tests. Laboratory tests.
Results:	An audiological assessment of developmentally delayed infants requires an evaluation of observed responses, both qualitatively and quantitatively. There is a need for a multi-disciplinary assessment to evaluate the responses according to the functional age of each child.
Relevant to:	Rehabilitation. Treatment. Home support or community living.
Reports:	Auditory Response Behaviours of Developmentally Delayed Infants. Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources: Surrey Place Centre

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts			
Core budget		4,500	4,725
Estimated Total Costs		4,500	4,725

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 4,500
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 9,225

A COMPARISON OF PROMPTING PROCEDURES IN TEACHING SELF-CARE SKILLS

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: a children's mental health centre

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 07/82 - 11/85.

Program Studied: The Geneva Centre Short-term Residential Program.

Objectives: To determine the effectiveness of two methods of prompting in teaching self-care skills to severely disturbed children.

Components: Clinical research.

Data Sources: Client case records. Structured observation.

Results: Included in final report.

Relevant to: Treatment.

Reports: A Comparison of Prompting Procedures in Teaching Self-care Skills.

Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: Core budget only

DOWN'S SYNDROME: EFFECTS ON SIBLING AND PEER INTERACTION

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	04/81 - 09/85.
Objectives:	To examine the interaction between Down's syndrome children and their non-handicapped siblings. To assess aspects of the non-handicapped siblings' social development by observing their interaction with their peers.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research.
Data Sources:	Face-to-face interviews with clients or families. Structured observation.
Results:	Compared with their Down's syndrome siblings, the non-handicapped children were more active in terms of initiating prosocial and agonistic behaviour, and imitated less often. These behaviour patterns were even more pronounced when the handicapped child was younger than the sibling, and appeared to be consistent over time. In terms of prosocial, agonistic and play-related behaviours at school, there were no differences between the non-handicapped siblings and their peers. When compared with the patterns of interaction of normative pairs of children, the patterns for the Down's syndrome siblings appeared to be mostly similar.
Relevant to:	Home support or community living.
Reports:	The Influence of Down's Syndrome on Sibling Interaction. Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS lottery funds

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts	81,645		
Core budget	4,700		
Estimated Total Costs	86,345		

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 86,345
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 86,345

EARLY DEVELOPMENTAL BACKGROUNDS, COGNITIVE, SOCIO-AFFECTIVE, LINGUISTIC AND BEHAVIOURAL CHARACTERISTICS OF AUTISTIC AND MENTALLY RETARDED CHILDREN

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: a children's mental health centre

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 05/84 - 12/86.

Program Studied: Autism Clinic.

Objectives: To ascertain differences in early developmental backgrounds between children diagnosed as autistic and those diagnosed as mentally retarded. To examine for possible subgroups within the sample of autistic children.

Components: Clinical research.

Data Sources: Existing demographic data. Client case records. Other program or agency records. Additional psychometric tests. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families. Structured observation.

Results: To be included in final report.

Relevant to: Rehabilitation. Day programming. Treatment.

Reports: Early Developmental Backgrounds, Cognitive, Socio-affective, Linguistic and Behavioural Characteristics of Autistic and Mentally Retarded Children.

Access to report is limited to the professional community.

FUNDING

Sources: Ontario Mental Health Foundation

EARLY INTERVENTION WITH DEVELOPMENTALLY DELAYED CHILDREN

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Dr. Arnold Rincover, Surrey Place Centre
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	02/84 - 07/88.
Study Type:	Evaluation of a demonstration or pilot project.
Program Studied:	Surrey Place Preschool Project.
Objectives:	To investigate the clinical progress of younger versus older children. To investigate the critical periods for treatment. To investigate behavioural preschool treatment.
Components:	Clinical research. Evaluability assessment. Process evaluation. Outcome evaluation.
Data Sources:	Existing demographic data. Client case records. Additional psychometric tests. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Structured observation.
Results:	To be included in final report.
Relevant to:	Rehabilitation. Day programming. Treatment.
Reports:	Early Intervention with Developmentally Delayed Children. Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: Surrey Place Centre; Ministry of Health; Health and Welfare Canada

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts	25,000	25,000	
Core budget	25,000	10,000	
Estimated Total Costs	50,000	35,000	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 85,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 85,000

THE EFFECTS OF EARLY DAMAGE TO THE BRAIN ON LANGUAGE AND OTHER COGNITIVE FACTORS

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 04/81 - 12/85.

Objectives: To determine the effects of early brain damage on children's acquisition of language, intelligence, verbal memory and non-verbal skills. To establish developmental hypotheses based on developmental data.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research. Needs assessment.

Data Sources: Additional psychometric tests.

Results: Only a few examples of the many findings are cited here. In the area of language, comparisons of data from normal children with those from various types of brain damaged children yielded some idea of what can be expected of children with specific impairment. Cognitive breakdown appears to be selective rather than global, i.e., although children may have a deficit in one area, their other abilities remain intact. With respect to intelligence, various medical aspects are important as predictors of level of intelligence. In terms of auditory memory ability, children with different types of brain damage showed a specific memory deficit, not just a general cognitive impairment.

Relevant to: Treatment.

Reports: Intelligence After Early Brain Injury I: Predicting IQ Scores from Medical History Variables. Intelligence After Early Brain Injury II: IQ Scores of Subjects Classified on the Basis of Medical History Variables.

Reports are available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS lottery funds

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts	113,600		
Core budget	4,200		
Estimated Total Costs	117,800		

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 117,800
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 117,800

EFFECTS OF TRAINING ON THE SYMBOLIC PLAY AND IMITATION ABILITIES OF AUTISTIC CHILDREN

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: a children's mental health centre

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 05/85 - 08/87.

Program Studied: Autism Clinic.

Objectives: To assess the effectiveness of training autistic children in symbolic play and imitation to facilitate change in other areas of development, including their communication skills.

Components: Clinical research.

Data Sources: Existing demographic data. Client case records. Additional psychometric tests.

Results: To be included in final report.

Relevant to: Day programming. Treatment.

Reports: Effects of Training on the Symbolic Play and Imitation Abilities of Autistic Children.

Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources: Ontario Mental Health Foundation

EVALUATION OF THE INVERNESS CHILDREN'S INTENSIVE DEVELOPMENTAL CARE RESIDENCE

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: a mental retardation facility

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 07/84 - 11/85.

Study Type: Evaluation of a demonstration or pilot project.

Program Studied: Inverness Children's Residence.

Objectives: To assess the treatment, care and programming, during the first year of the program's operation, with respect to the efficiency and effectiveness of the program. To examine the actual and potential impact of the program on the prevention of mental retardation. To examine the costs of the program in relation to the outcome of the program.

Components: Cost analysis. Process evaluation. Outcome evaluation.

Data Sources: Client case records. Additional psychometric tests. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff.

Results: Effectiveness, as measured by normalization, health status, community and parental involvement, ability to deliver nursing services to clients, and improvement in programming, has been achieved through the group home model of service. The cost of service delivery through this model was found to be more costly than through the hospital setting.

Relevant to: Rehabilitation. Home support or community living. Residential or group care.

Reports: Evaluation of the Inverness Children's Intensive Developmental Care Residence.

Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS purchase of service contract: Kingston Area Office

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts	10,475	12,742	
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs	10,475	12,742	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 23,217
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 23,217

Operational costs of the demonstration/pilot project: 26,900

Sources of operational funds: Kingston Area Office

FAMILIES OF AUTISTIC AND DOWN'S SYNDROME CHILDREN: MARITAL BREAKDOWN, MARITAL SATISFACTION AND SOCIAL SUPPORT

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 12/84 - 12/86.

Objectives: To identify the sources of stress which families encounter in raising developmentally handicapped children. To assess families' reactions, resources, coping mechanisms and reservoirs of social support. To identify and provide effective strategies for intervention by professionals to assist the family and prevent dysfunctional reactions to stress.

Components: Survey research. Needs assessment.

Data Sources: Existing demographic data.

Results: To be included in final report.

Relevant to: Treatment. Home support or community living.

Reports: Families of Autistic and Down's Syndrome Children: Marital Breakdown, Marital Satisfaction and Social Support.

Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: C.P.R.I.; University of Western Ontario

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts	3,000	10,000	
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs	3,000	10,000	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 13,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 13,000

FOLLOW-UP STUDY OF C.P.R.I.'S DEVELOPMENTAL ACQUISITION PROGRAM

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	11/84 - 12/86.
Study Type:	Evaluation of an ongoing program.
Program Studied:	C.P.R.I.'s Developmental Acquisition Program (D.A.P.).
Objectives:	To follow-up former clients to determine their current status and functioning, as perceived by their parents or guardians. To provide a summary report of the program from 1977-1984. To facilitate the further development of the current program.
Components:	Survey research. Descriptive program survey. Outcome evaluation.
Data Sources:	Client case records. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families.
Results:	To be included in final report.
Relevant to:	Day programming. Treatment. Residential or group care.
Reports:	Follow-up Study of C.P.R.I.'s Developmental Acquisition Program (1977-1984). Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: C.P.R.I.

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts			
Core budget	200	3,075	
Estimated Total Costs	200	3,075	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 3,275
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 3,275

PARENTS' PERCEPTIONS OF THEIR CHILDREN'S BEHAVIOUR BEFORE AND AFTER ENROLLMENT IN AN INTEGRATED PRESCHOOL PROGRAM

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: a children's mental health centre

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 11/85 - 06/86.

Program Studied: The Child's Place/Integration Program.

Objectives: To examine children's behavioural changes as viewed by their parents before and after participating in a program offered by a children's mental health centre treating preschool children.

Components: Clinical research.

Data Sources: Client case records.

Results: Included in final report.

Relevant to: Prevention. Day programming. Treatment.

Reports: Parents' Perceptions of their Children's Behaviour Before and After Enrollment in an Integrated Preschool Program.

Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources: Core budget only

PREDICTING THE RELATIVE SUCCESS OF SPEECH AND SIGN TRAINING

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	11/85 - 10/87.
Study Type:	Evaluation of an ongoing program.
Objectives:	To develop a pretest that will predict whether autistic and developmentally handicapped children will benefit from speech training or sign training.
Components:	Clinical research. Laboratory research. Process evaluation. Outcome evaluation.
Data Sources:	Structured observation.
Results:	To be included in final report.
Relevant to:	Rehabilitation. Day programming. Treatment.
Reports:	Predicting the Relative Success of Speech and Sign Training. Report will be available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: Health and Welfare Canada

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts		50,000	50,000
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs		50,000	50,000

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 50,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 100,000

REPLACING SELF-STIMULATION WITH PLAY

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Dr. Arnold Rincover, Surrey Place Centre
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	09/85 - 09/88.
Objectives:	To investigate a new, non-aversive treatment for self-stimulation by replacing self-stimulation with appropriate play.
Components:	Clinical research. Laboratory research.
Data Sources:	Structured observation.
Results:	To be included in final report.
Relevant to:	Rehabilitation. Day programming. Treatment.
Reports:	Report is planned. Report will be available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: Ministry of Health

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts		50,000	50,000
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs		50,000	50,000

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 50,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 100,000

TRAINING AUTISTIC AND DEVELOPMENTALLY DISORDERED CHILDREN TO USE A 'MEMOWRITER'

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 01/86 - 06/86.

Program Studied: Treatment, Research and Education for Autism and Developmental Disorders (TRE-ADD).

Objectives: To assess the effects of teaching four autistic and developmentally disordered children how to use the Sharp 'Memowriter' and its effects on the children's communicative efforts and collateral behaviours.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research. Behavioural assessment.

Data Sources: Additional psychometric tests. Structured observation.

Results: There is evidence to reflect some improvement in communication in some of the children.

Relevant to: Day programming. Treatment.

Reports: Training Autistic and Developmentally Disordered Children to Use a 'Memowriter'.

Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Applied Program Technology Unit; Thistletown Regional Centre

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts			
Core budget		1,000	
Estimated Total Costs		1,000	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 1,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 1,000

TRE-ADD STUDENT SATISFACTION QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	09/85 - 09/85.
Study Type:	Evaluation of an ongoing program.
Program Studied:	Treatment, Research and Education for Autism and Developmental Disorders (TRE-ADD).
Objectives:	To assess student perceptions of and satisfaction with their student placement in the TRE-ADD program.
Components:	Survey research. Process evaluation.
Data Sources:	Self-administered questionnaires for students.
Results:	Included in final report.
Relevant to:	Treatment.
Reports:	TRE-ADD Student Satisfaction Questionnaire Results. Access to report is limited to agencies involved.

FUNDING

Sources:	Thistletown Regional Centre

TRE-ADD TEACHER SATISFACTION QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	05/85 - 09/85.
Study Type:	Evaluation of an ongoing program.
Program Studied:	Treatment, Research and Education for Autism and Developmental Disorders (TRE-ADD).
Objectives:	To assess community teachers' perceptions of and satisfaction with services received from the TRE-ADD program.
Components:	Survey research. Process evaluation.
Data Sources:	Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff.
Results:	Included in final report.
Relevant to:	Day programming. Treatment.
Reports:	TRE-ADD Teacher Satisfaction Questionnaire Results. Access to report is limited to agencies involved.

FUNDING

Sources:	Thistletown Regional Centre

VIDEOTAPED COMMUNICATION ASSESSMENT

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	09/84 - 12/88.
Objectives:	To develop a reliable and valid assessment tool which measures the communicative interaction between parent(s) and young children.
Components:	Clinical research.
Data Sources:	Client case records. Laboratory tests. Structured observation.
Results:	The assessment protocol developed reflects observable changes in the communication facilitation skills of parents with their children in pre- and post-involvement with speech-language pathology intervention.
Relevant to:	Rehabilitation. Treatment. Home support or community living.
Reports:	Videotaped Communication Assessment. Access to report is limited to MCSS, agencies involved and the professional community.

FUNDING

Sources: Surrey Place Centre

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts			
Core budget		6,000	
Estimated Total Costs		6,000	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 6,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 6,000

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CHARACTERISTICS OF YOUTH REFERRED FOR COURT CLINIC ASSESSMENT

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a children's mental health centre
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	03/85 - 10/85.
Program Studied:	Oshawa and District Family Court Clinic, Inc.
Objectives:	To examine the various characteristics of the youth seen by the court clinic since its inception.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research. Needs assessment.
Data Sources:	Existing demographic data. Other program or agency records. Additional psychometric tests. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families.
Results:	Among the findings were that youths referred to the court clinic were frustrated about many things as shown in their daily functioning.
Relevant to:	Rehabilitation. Treatment. Casework or counselling.
Reports:	Characteristics of Youth Referred for Court Clinic Assessment. Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources:	MCSS purchase of service contract: Peterborough Area Office

EVALUATION OF THE SUDBURY VICTIM-OFFENDER RECONCILIATION PROGRAM

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: an Ontario-wide association

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 06/84 - 04/85.

Study Type: Evaluation of an ongoing program.

Program Studied: Victim-Offender Reconciliation Program (V.O.R.P.).

Objectives: To determine if young offenders processed through the V.O.R.P. have a lower recidivism rate than those processed through the youth justice system.

Components: Outcome evaluation.

Data Sources: Client case records. Other program or agency records. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff.

Results: Of the young offenders studied, only 26.3 per cent of the V.O.R.P. youth recidivated, compared to 50.9 per cent of the youth in the traditional justice system. This represents a 48.3 per cent reduction in recidivism for V.O.R.P. youth, thereby supporting the hypothesis that this prevention/diversion program does reduce the recidivism rate of young offenders.

Relevant to: Prevention. Casework or counselling.

Reports: Evaluation of the Sudbury Victim-Offender Reconciliation Program.

Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources: Core budget only

AN EXAMINATION OF PRE-DISPOSITION REPORTS IN SOUTHEASTERN ONTARIO

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	01/86 - 04/86.
Program Studied:	Probation Services.
Objectives:	To describe the recommendations contained in the Pre-disposition Reports (PDR). To assess the relationship between PDR recommendations and eventual disposition by the court.
Components:	Survey research. Descriptive program survey.
Data Sources:	Client case records. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families.
Results:	There is a high degree of agreement between judges' dispositions and the recommendations contained in the Pre-disposition Reports. There are apparent differences in dispositions between courts.
Relevant to:	Prevention. Residential or group care. Casework or counselling.
Reports:	An Examination of Pre-disposition Reports in Southeastern Ontario. Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: Southeastern Regional Planning Unit

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts		4,700	
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs		4,700	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 4,700
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 4,700

OBSERVATION AND DETENTION (O&D) PROGRAM EVALUATION

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 05/85 - 08/85.

Study Type: Evaluation of an ongoing program.

Program Studied: Syl Apps Youth Centre Observation and Detention (O&D).

Objectives: To determine whether the philosophy, goals and activities of the O&D cottage and school programs are consistent and understood across program areas and within each program area. To identify methods to strengthen the link between O&D cottage and school programs.

Components: Survey research. Organizational research. Descriptive program survey. Evaluability assessment. Process evaluation.

Data Sources: Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff.

Results: Included in final report.

Relevant to: Rehabilitation. Treatment. Residential or group care.

Reports: Observation and Detention (O&D) Program Evaluation. Summary of Observation and Detention Program Evaluation Questionnaire.

Access to reports is limited to agencies involved.

FUNDING

Sources: Thistletown Regional Centre

SECURE CARE FOLLOW-UP EVALUATION (COTTAGE #2)

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 05/85 - 08/85.

Study Type: Evaluation of an ongoing program.

Program Studied: Syl Apps Youth Centre Secure Care Cottage #2.

Objectives: To determine whether the cottage philosophy has shifted since the initial 1984 Evaluation Study. To determine whether problem areas identified in the initial 1984 Program Evaluation Study have been addressed satisfactorily by program management. To identify program areas needing further development.

Components: Survey research. Organizational research. Descriptive program survey. Evaluability assessment. Process evaluation.

Data Sources: Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff.

Results: Included in final report.

Relevant to: Rehabilitation. Treatment. Residential or group care.

Reports: Secure Care Follow-up Evaluation (Cottage #2). Summary of Cottage #2 Follow-up Evaluation Questionnaire.

Access to reports is limited to agencies involved.

FUNDING

Sources: Thistletown Regional Centre

SECURE CARE PROGRAM EVALUATION (COTTAGE #3)

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	11/85 - 01/86.
Study Type:	Evaluation of an ongoing program.
Program Studied:	Syl Apps Youth Centre Secure Care Cottage #3.
Objectives:	To determine whether the cottage program has a consistent philosophy and consistent goals which are inter-related. To identify specific feedback, planning and decision-making mechanisms operating in the program. To identify program strengths and areas for development.
Components:	Survey research. Organizational research. Descriptive program survey. Evaluability assessment.
Data Sources:	Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff.
Results:	Included in final report.
Relevant to:	Rehabilitation. Treatment. Residential or group care.
Reports:	Secure Care Program Evaluation (Cottage #3). Summary Report of Cottage #3 Evaluation Questionnaire. Access to reports is limited to agencies involved.

FUNDING

Sources:	Thistletown Regional Centre

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EMPLOYMENT DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a municipal social services department
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	03/86 - 06/86.
Study Type:	Evaluation of an ongoing program.
Program Studied:	Income Maintenance (Long-term employable clients).
Objectives:	To assess the needs of long-term GWA employable clients and their barriers to employment. To develop a program to enhance the employability of these clients.
Components:	Needs assessment. Resources inventory. Evaluability assessment.
Data Sources:	Client case records. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff.
Results:	Included in final report.
Relevant to:	Rehabilitation. Income maintenance.
Reports:	Employment Development Project. Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: Canada Employment and Immigration

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts		23,720	
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs		23,720	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 23,720
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 23,720

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES PROGRAMS: OUTCOME AND FOLLOW-UP STUDIES

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

Principal Investigator: Lorne Bozinoff, Coopers and Lybrand

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 09/85 - 10/87.

Study Type: Evaluation of a demonstration or pilot project.

Program Studied: Employment Opportunities Programs.

Objectives: To conduct telephone surveys of clients and comparison groups of four youth employment programs (i.e., Employment Support Initiatives, Youth Employment Preparation, Special Service Employment, and Summer and Part-time Employment Program).

Components: Outcome evaluation.

Data Sources: Telephone interviews with clients or families.

Results: To be included in final report.

Relevant to: Income maintenance.

Reports: Employment Opportunities Programs: Outcome and Follow-up Studies.

Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS purchase of service contract: Research and Program Evaluation Unit

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts		32,000	536,000
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs		32,000	536,000

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 32,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 568,000

Operational costs of the demonstration/pilot project:	1,800,000	23,000,000	110,000,000

Sources of operational funds: MCSS Operations Division

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES PROGRAMS PROCESS STUDY

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 09/85 - 03/87.

Study Type: Evaluation of a demonstration or pilot project.

Program Studied: Employment Opportunities Programs.

Objectives: To develop descriptions of six MCSS employment opportunity programs (i.e., Employment Support Initiatives, Youth Employment Preparation, Social Service Employment Program, Summer and Part-time Employment, Community Youth Supports, Job Developer Program).

Components: Process evaluation.

Data Sources: Client case records. Other program or agency records. Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff. Telephone interviews with MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff.

Results: To be included in final report.

Relevant to: Income maintenance.

Reports: Employment Opportunities Programs Process Study.

Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS purchase of service contract: Research and Program Evaluation Unit

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts		90,000	138,275
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs		90,000	138,275

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 90,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 228,275

Operational costs of the demonstration/pilot project:	1,800,000	23,000,000	110,000,000

Sources of operational funds: MCSS Operations Division

EVALUATION OF WORKLOAD-SHARING MODEL OF SERVICE DELIVERY

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a municipal social services department
Principal Investigator:	Colleen Hendrick, Regional Municipality of Ottawa-Carleton
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	06/85 - 07/85.
Objectives:	To assess the impact of the Workload-sharing model within a district office.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Survey research. Organizational research. Descriptive program survey.
Data Sources:	Client case records. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Telephone interviews with clients or families.
Results:	The findings indicate only slight differences between the traditional and workload-sharing models of service delivery.
Relevant to:	Income maintenance.
Reports:	Evaluation of Workload-sharing Model of Service Delivery. Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources:	Core budget only

AN EXAMINATION OF UNATTACHED WOMEN, OVER 40, RECEIVING GENERAL WELFARE ASSISTANCE IN HAMILTON-WENTWORTH

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: a municipal social services department

Principal Investigator: Rick Csiernik, Social Planning and Research Council

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 09/85 - 04/86.

Objectives: To examine the poverty of a specific group of unattached women.

Components: Survey research. Needs assessment. Resources inventory.

Data Sources: Existing demographic data. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families.

Results: The study found that 32.1 per cent of respondents had received GWA for less than one year, and 53.6 per cent had previously received FBA. The major reasons for not working were: poor health, the inability to find work and inadequate education (44.9 per cent had less than grade nine). Only 5.6 per cent are attending school or a training program.

Relevant to: Prevention. Income maintenance.

Reports: An Examination of Unattached Women, Over 40, Receiving General Welfare Assistance in Hamilton-Wentworth.

Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: Regional Municipality of Hamilton-Wentworth

HAMILTON EAST KIWANIS NON-PROFIT HOMES INCORPORATED

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

Principal Investigator: Dr. James Rice, McMaster University

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 08/83 - 01/87.

Study Type: Evaluation of a demonstration or pilot project.

Program Studied: Housing/Life Skills Project.

Objectives: To determine the effect of a housing and life skills program on the functioning of tenant families.

Components: Survey research. Needs assessment. Resources inventory. Outcome evaluation.

Data Sources: Existing demographic data. Other program or agency records. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families. Structured observation.

Results: The effect of the program on the tenant families is varied. For those families who stayed in the program, it appears to have been beneficial. However, eight families left the project within the first year. These families may or may not have benefited from the program, but this will not be known until the two year follow-up is completed.

Relevant to: Home support or community living. Income maintenance.

Reports: Measuring the Impact of a Housing/Life Skills Project on the Functioning of Multi-problem Families.

Access to report will be limited to MCSS and agencies involved.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Research and Program Evaluation Unit

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts	10,000		
Core budget	1,000	500	500
Estimated Total Costs	11,000	500	500

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 11,500
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 12,000

	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Operational costs of the demonstration/pilot project:	40,000	40,000	40,000

Sources of operational funds: Hamilton East Kiwanis Non-Profit Homes Inc.; Municipality of Hamilton-Wentworth; Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation

HOUSING COSTS AS A PERCENTAGE OF GWA INCOME

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: a municipal social services department

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 02/86 - 03/86.

Objectives: To assess the proportion of GWA incomes which are currently being allocated to housing costs.

Components: Descriptive program survey.

Data Sources: Client case records. Other program or agency records.

Results: Eighty-nine per cent of clients are paying more than 25 per cent of their GWA towards shelter. Singles tend, on average, to pay between 55-74 per cent of their GWA income towards rent, whereas families pay an average of 45-54 per cent of their income on private-profit arrangements.

Relevant to: Income maintenance.

Reports: Housing Costs as a Percentage of GWA Income.

Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: Core budget only

HYDRO COSTS AND SOCIAL ASSISTANCE

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a municipal social services department
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	11/85 - 12/85.
Objectives:	To assess the level of hydro rate increases in area municipalities over the past years and compare these to GWA and FBA rate increases over the same time period.
Components:	Survey research. Needs assessment. Descriptive program survey.
Data Sources:	Client case records. Other program or agency records. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families.
Results:	The research indicates the need for the province to develop a separate hydro allowance for social assistance recipients. Social assistance rates should be increased to established poverty levels. The study also recommends that utility companies ensure clients have access to equal billing arrangements.
Relevant to:	Income maintenance.
Reports:	Hydro Costs and Social Assistance. Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources:	Core budget only

INTER-MINISTERIAL/OHC HOUSING STUDY

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: another ministry or area of government

Principal Investigator: Dr. Margaret Denton, Social Data Research Ltd.

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 01/83 - 09/86.

Program Studied: Ontario Housing Corporation (OHC) Projects.

Objectives: To develop a profile of OHC tenants with respect to their background characteristics, health status and social network. To describe the proportion of OHC tenants experiencing difficulties with the activities of daily living and the proportion of OHC tenants who receive assistance. To identify the sources of support for those receiving assistance. To describe whether OHC tenants experiencing difficulties are receiving the help they need. To present the formal service providers' perceptions of the problems experienced by OHC tenants.

Components: Needs assessment.

Data Sources: Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families.

Results: To be included in final report.

Relevant to: Home support or community living.

Reports: Inter-ministerial/OHC Housing Study.

Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Elderly Unit; Ministry of Housing; Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation; Office for Senior Citizens Affairs

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts	101,005	30,340	11,155
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs	101,005	30,340	11,155

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 131,345
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 142,500

PROJECT INTEGRATION FOR THE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES PROGRAMS

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

Principal Investigator: John Renner, A.R.A. Consultants

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 09/85 - 10/87.

Program Studied: Employment Opportunities Programs.

Objectives: To integrate the analysis and conclusions of the Employment Opportunities Programs evaluation studies in order to develop a comprehensive report.

Components: Cost-effectiveness or cost-benefit analysis.

Data Sources: Secondary data.

Results: To be included in final report.

Relevant to: Income maintenance.

Reports: Project Integration for the Employment Opportunities Programs.

Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS purchase of service contract: Research and Program Evaluation Unit

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts		20,000	59,880
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs		20,000	59,880

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 20,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 79,880

	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Operational costs of the demonstration/pilot project:	1,800,000	23,000,000	110,000,000

Sources of operational funds: MCSS Operations Division

PROPOSAL FOR FURTHER RESEARCH ON THE EMPLOYMENT BARRIERS OF GENERAL WELFARE RECIPIENTS

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a municipal social services department
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	11/85 - 03/86.
Objectives:	To develop a proposal for a research project which: a) explores the needs of General Welfare recipients who have been unemployed for a period of time long enough to have exhausted their Unemployment Insurance Benefits; and b) develops a program to address their identified needs.
Components:	Needs assessment.
Data Sources:	Existing demographic data. Client case records.
Results:	Since only a small sample of cases were reviewed these findings should not be generalized to the total population. However, this preliminary review suggests that long-term General Welfare Assistance clients are too multi-problemed for a short-term employment program, and that efforts should be geared toward those who have some level of skill but declining motivation.
Relevant to:	Income maintenance.
Reports:	Proposal for Further Research on the Employment Barriers of General Welfare Recipients. Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources:	Core budget only

REVIEW OF THE LITERATURE RELATED TO THE EVALUATION OF EMPLOYMENT PROGRAMS FOR SOCIAL ASSISTANCE RECIPIENTS

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	01/86 - 06/86.
Objectives:	To examine, summarize and analyze recent documents on evaluation and research related to the effectiveness of employment programs for social assistance recipients.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature.
Data Sources:	Secondary data. Key informants.
Results:	Included in final report.
Relevant to:	Prevention. Rehabilitation. Income maintenance.
Reports:	Review of the Literature Related to the Evaluation of Employment Programs for Social Assistance Recipients. Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources:	MCSS purchase of service contract: Research and Program Evaluation Unit

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts		2,000	12,997
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs		2,000	12,997

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 2,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 14,997

SINGLES ON WELFARE

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a municipal social services department
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	09/85 - 04/86.
Objectives:	To determine why the singles category of welfare recipients is increasing.
Components:	Descriptive program survey. Survey research.
Data Sources:	Existing demographic data. Client case records.
Results:	The proportion of young people and singles, the current unemployment rate, family patterns and job creation are some of the contributing factors to the increase in single people on General Welfare Assistance.
Relevant to:	Income maintenance.
Reports:	Singles on Welfare. Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources:	Core budget only

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RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	another ministry or area of government
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	01/86 - 03/86.
Objectives:	To identify the needs of rural non-farm women in Leeds and Grenville Counties.
Components:	Needs assessment.
Data Sources:	Existing demographic data. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Telephone interviews with clients or families. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families.
Results:	Included in final report.
Relevant to:	Prevention. Home support or community living. Income maintenance.
Reports:	And Then There Was One: Single Mothers on Low Incomes - A Rural Perspective. Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources: Ontario Women's Directorate

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts		6,550	
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs		6,550	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 6,550
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 6,550

CHILD CARE PROGRAM QUESTIONNAIRE

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: an interval/transition house

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 10/85 - 01/86.

Objectives: To conduct a survey of child care workers in transition houses with respect to seminars, conferences and meetings.

Components: Survey research.

Data Sources: Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff.

Results: The study showed that 15 of 30 shelters have child care programs and shelters. Ten have a strong networking base. The majority of respondents requested the following workshops: Interviewing the Child in Crisis; Teaching Parenting Skills to Mothers; Behaviour Management; Setting up a Child Care Program; Programs for Adolescents.

Relevant to: Prevention. Treatment. Casework or counselling.

Reports: Child Care Questionnaire Results.

Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources: Core budget only

CLIENT EVALUATION OF THE WOMEN'S CENTRE

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: an interval/transition house

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 09/85 - ongoing.

Objectives: To conduct a resident evaluation of the shelter to ensure programming which best serves the needs of clients.

Components: Survey research. Outcome evaluation.

Data Sources: Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families.

Results: Residents expressed general satisfaction with programming. Overcrowding and under-staffing appear to be persistent concerns.

Relevant to: Residential or group care. Casework or counselling.

Reports: Client Evaluation of the Women's Centre.

Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources: Core budget only

DETERMINATION OF SUCCESSFULLY VERSUS UNSUCCESSFULLY TREATED CASES IN AN INTENSIVE FAMILY THERAPY UNIT

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

Principal Investigator: Dr. Steven Stein and Dr. Barbara Dydyk, Thistletown Regional Centre

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 01/83 - ongoing.

Study Type: Evaluation of an ongoing program.

Program Studied: Thistletown Intensive Family Therapy Unit.

Objectives: To determine which families treated through the Family Therapy Unit benefit the most as a result of their treatment.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research. Process evaluation. Outcome evaluation.

Data Sources: Existing demographic data. Client case records. Additional psychometric tests. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Telephone interviews with clients or families. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families.

Results: To be included in final report.

Relevant to: Treatment.

Reports: Report is planned.

Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: Thistletown Regional Centre

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts			
Core budget	10,000	2,500	
Estimated Total Costs	10,000	2,500	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 12,500
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 12,500

THE EFFECTS OF ETHNICITY AND MARITAL STATUS IN FAMILIES WITH CANADIAN-BORN, GREEK-BORN AND ITALIAN-BORN MOTHERS

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: a children's mental health centre

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 04/83 - 03/86.

Objectives: To explore the effects of immigration and ethnicity on the adaptation of mothers and their children to the parental separation or divorce.

Components: Survey research.

Data Sources: Additional psychometric tests. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families.

Results: The dynamics on the non-clinic population of marital breakdown differ significantly by ethnicity. Ethnicity and marital status, but not gender, differentiate children's closeness to their fathers. Marital status and ethnicity are related to domestic violence and physical abuse by the husband which, in turn, can affect the reasons for separation.

Relevant to: Prevention. Treatment. Home support or community living.

Reports: The Effects of Ethnicity and Marital Status in Families with Canadian-born, Greek-born and Italian-born Mothers.

Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources: Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (S.S.H.R.C.)

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts	24,500	42,250	
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs	24,500	42,250	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 66,750
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 66,750

FAMILIES OF AUTISTIC CHILDREN: STRESS, CHILD'S FUNCTIONING LEVEL AND USE OF RESPITE SERVICES

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	01/85 - ongoing.
Study Type:	Evaluation of an ongoing program.
Program Studied:	Treatment, Research and Education for Autism and Developmental Disorders (TRE-ADD).
Objectives:	To examine the relationship between family stress, the child's functioning level and use of respite care services. To compare users and non-users of a parent relief service on child and family variables and to assess the relationship between those same variables and the frequency of respite care use.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research. Survey research. Outcome evaluation.
Data Sources:	Existing demographic data. Client case records. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families.
Results:	Users had significantly more difficult children and children who were more physically incapacitated and lower-functioning than did non-users of parental relief. Among the users, child characteristics and physical incapacitation were related to frequency of use.
Relevant to:	Prevention. Treatment. Home support or community living.
Reports:	Families of Autistic Children: Stress, Child's Functioning Level and Use of Respite Services. Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources:	Thistletown Regional Centre

FAMILY FORMATION AND MARITAL STATUS OF CLIENT FAMILIES - PART II

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a children's aid society
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	03/85 - 05/86.
Objectives:	To compare the circumstances surrounding family formation among CAS client families with those of the client families of a non-CAS community agency.
Components:	Needs assessment.
Data Sources:	Client case records.
Results:	Ten to fifteen per cent of client families in the three participating CASs started family life with marriage at age 20 or older, compared to two-thirds of the client families of a local family counselling agency. The remainder of the client families began family life either as teen-agers or as unmarried mothers.
Relevant to:	Prevention. Casework or counselling.
Reports:	Family Formation and Marital Status of Client Families - Part II. Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources:	Core budget only

FEASIBILITY STUDY ON EMERGENCY HOUSING IN HALDIMAND-NORFOLK

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: a municipal social services department

Principal Investigator: Stephanie Orphanacos

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 05/85 - 08/85.

Objectives: To determine the need for an emergency housing facility in Haldimand-Norfolk for homeless individuals.

Components: Survey research. Needs assessment.

Data Sources: Other program or agency records. Telephone interviews with clients or families. Telephone interviews with MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff.

Results: Those most in need of emergency housing are single males aged 16-24 years, and separated single females aged 25-34 years.

Relevant to: Home support or community living. Income maintenance. Residential or group care.

Reports: Feasibility Study on Emergency Housing in Haldimand-Norfolk.

Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Income Maintenance; Canada Employment and Immigration; Regional Municipality of Haldimand-Norfolk

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts		1,624	
Core budget		645	
Estimated Total Costs		2,269	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 2,269
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 2,269

FOLLOW-UP: A NEEDS ASSESSMENT AND EVALUATION OF SERVICE

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: an interval/transition house

Principal Investigator: Maureen Fair and Katherine Parks,
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 03/85 - 09/85.

Study Type: Evaluation of an ongoing program.

Program Studied: Ernestine's Women's Shelter.

Objectives: To evaluate shelter service from the perspective of ex-residents. To identify the needs of the ex-resident community and to make proposals regarding future follow-up programming.

Components: Survey research. Needs assessment. Evaluability assessment.

Data Sources: Client case records. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Telephone interviews with clients or families. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families.

Results: The study identifies the need for: a parent relief program for current and ex-residents; a full-time follow-up worker focusing on individual casework; and the formation of support groups for women who are now on their own. Second-stage housing is not seen as a viable alternative for the majority of women utilizing shelter resources.

Relevant to: Home support or community living. Residential or group care. Casework or counselling.

Reports: Follow-up: A Needs Assessment and Evaluation of Service.

Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: Canada Works Grant

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts		16,853	
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs		16,853	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 16,853
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 16,853

THE HIGHLAND STIRLING NEIGHBOURHOOD PROJECT: EVALUATING PROGRAM EFFECTS IN THE MENTAL HEALTH DOMAIN

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a children's mental health centre
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	01/85 - 10/87.
Study Type:	Evaluation of an ongoing program.
Program Studied:	The Highland Stirling Neighbourhood Project.
Objectives:	To assess the continued effect of the program on its participants. To identify the awareness, patterns of use, and satisfaction of the participants and the community at large.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Needs assessment. Resources inventory. Outcome evaluation.
Data Sources:	Existing demographic data. Other program or agency records. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families.
Results:	The intervention program has a positive impact on general psychological distress and on depression.
Relevant to:	Home support or community living.
Reports:	The Highland Stirling Neighbourhood Project: Evaluating Program Effects in the Mental Health Domain. Access to report will be limited to MCSS, agencies involved and the professional community.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Waterloo Area Office

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts	1,800	1,800	
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs	1,800	1,800	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 3,600
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 3,600

HOPE HAVEN HOMES FAMILY REHABILITATION CENTRE PROGRAM EVALUATION

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: an interval/transition house

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 10/85 - 03/86.

Study Type: Evaluation of an ongoing program.

Program Studied: Hope Haven Homes Family Rehabilitation Centre.

Objectives: To identify alcohol and drug abuse and its effects on the family members through a holistic Family Rehabilitation Program.

Components: Clinical research. Needs assessment. Descriptive program survey. Process evaluation. Outcome evaluation.

Data Sources: Existing demographic data. Client case records. Other program or agency records. Telephone interviews with clients or families. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families. Structured observation.

Results: Included in final report.

Relevant to: Prevention. Rehabilitation. Casework or counselling.

Reports: Hope Haven Homes Family Rehabilitation Centre Program Evaluation.

Access to report is limited to agencies involved.

FUNDING

Sources: Core budget only

THE IMPACT OF EXPOSURE TO MARITAL VIOLENCE ON CHILDREN'S ADJUSTMENT

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 04/83 - 04/85.

Objectives: To determine the effects of marital violence on the social and behavioural development of children. To focus on children's social supports within and outside the family in order to identify the factors which assist children's adjustment to marital violence.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research.

Data Sources: Face-to-face interviews with clients or families. Problem-solving task administered to children.

Results: There are few significant differences in social competence and behavioural problems between girls from violent and non-violent families. Boys from violent families tend to have less social competence and more behavioural problems than boys from non-violent families. Behavioural problems for children from both types of family appear to be strongly associated with maternal adjustment and amount of physical aggression in the home. Mothers who reported fewer symptoms and changes in their own functioning were more likely to report fewer child behavioural problems as well.

Relevant to: Casework or counselling.

Reports: Child Witnesses to Violence Between Parents: Critical Issues in Behavioural and Social Adjustment. Children of Battered Women: The Relation of Child Behaviour to Family Violence and Maternal Stress. Family Violence and Child Adjustment: A Comparative Analysis of Girls' and Boys' Behavioural Symptoms.

Reports are available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS lottery funds

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts	86,340		
Core budget	2,000		
Estimated Total Costs	88,340		

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 88,340
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 88,340

OTTAWA RAPE CRISIS CENTRE

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a municipal social services department
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	10/85 - 11/85.
Objectives:	To examine program activities within the context of stated goals and objectives.
Components:	Descriptive program survey. Process evaluation.
Data Sources:	Other program or agency records. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff.
Results:	The study found the agency delivered quality services in both supportive counselling and education.
Relevant to:	Casework or counselling.
Reports:	Ottawa Rape Crisis Centre. Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources:	Core budget only

PARENT EDUCATION PROJECT I: THE DEVELOPMENT AND NURTURANCE OF CHILDREN OF MENTALLY RETARDED PARENTS

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 05/84 - 09/85.

Program Studied: Parent Education Project.

Objectives: To assess the development and quality of the home environments of children raised by parents labelled as being developmentally handicapped.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research.

Data Sources: Existing demographic data. Client case records. Other program or agency records. Additional psychometric tests. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families. Structured observation.

Results: Children of developmentally handicapped parents are at risk for delays in intellectual development as early as 2 years of age. The quality of home environment provided by developmentally handicapped parents appears to be average and highly correlated with a child's mental development. Developmentally handicapped mothers who are involved, responsive, and more restrictive tend to have children with higher mental development scores.

Relevant to: Treatment. Home support or community living.

Reports: Parent Education Project I: The Development and Nurturance of Children of Mentally Retarded Parents.

Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: Surrey Place Centre

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts			
Core budget	2,000	3,000	
Estimated Total Costs	2,000	3,000	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 5,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 5,000

PARENT EDUCATION PROJECT II: INCREASING STIMULATING INTERACTIONS OF DEVELOPMENTALLY HANDICAPPED MOTHERS

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	09/83 - 09/85.
Study Type:	Evaluation of an ongoing program.
Program Studied:	Parent Education Project
Objectives:	To evaluate the effects of behaviourally-oriented parent training on the stimulation interactions of mothers with developmental handicaps and their children. To compare mother-child interactions of developmentally handicapped mothers with those of non-developmentally handicapped mothers.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research. Outcome evaluation.
Data Sources:	Existing demographic data. Client case records. Other program or agency records. Additional psychometric tests. Structured observation.
Results:	Developmentally handicapped mothers interacted significantly less with their young children during play than did non-developmentally handicapped mothers. Parent training consisting of discussions, modelling, feedback, and self-recording increased the stimulating interactions of developmentally handicapped mothers which was associated with increased child vocalizations. Generalization from the parent-group setting to the mothers' homes occurred and skills were maintained over the eight-month follow-up period.
Relevant to:	Prevention. Treatment. Home support or community living.
Reports:	Parent Education Project II: Increasing Stimulating Interactions of Developmentally Handicapped Mothers. Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: Surrey Place Centre

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts			
Core budget	28,000	30,000	
Estimated Total Costs	28,000	30,000	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 58,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 58,000

PARENT EDUCATION PROJECT III: INCREASING AFFECTIONATE BEHAVIOUR OF DEVELOPMENTALLY HANDICAPPED MOTHERS: COMPONENT ANALYSIS AND EFFECTS ON CHILD VOCALIZATIONS

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 09/84 - 09/86.

Study Type: Evaluation of an ongoing program.

Program Studied: Parent Education Project.

Objectives: To evaluate the effects of Behavioural Parent Training on the affectionate and stimulating interactions of mothers with developmental handicaps with their children. To determine which components of the training package are responsible for the effects observed in previous studies.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research. Process evaluation. Outcome evaluation.

Data Sources: Existing demographic data. Client case records. Other program or agency records. Additional psychometric tests. Structured observation.

Results: Verbal instructions alone are less effective than instructions, modelling, and feedback in increasing affectionate and stimulating interactions of developmentally handicapped mothers with their children. Child vocalizations increased concomitantly with increases in natural interactions. Mothers generalized their behaviour from play to caretaking situations, and maintained this over a twelve-month follow-up period.

Relevant to: Prevention. Treatment. Home support or community living.

Reports: Parent Education Project III: Increasing Affectionate Behaviour of Developmentally Handicapped Mothers: Component Analysis and Effects on Child Vocalizations.

Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources: Surrey Place Centre; Ontario Mental Health Foundation

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts			3,000
Core budget	12,000	20,000	
Estimated Total Costs	12,000	20,000	3,000

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 32,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 35,000

PATTERNS OF CHILDBEARING AMONG NATIVE CLIENT AND NON-CLIENT FAMILIES

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a children's aid society
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 03/85 - 08/86.

Program Studied: Native Services.

Objectives: To compare the childbearing age and number of live births of Oneida mothers who have had one or more children admitted to CAS care, with that of Oneida mothers in the Band population at large.

Components: Descriptive program survey.

Data Sources: Existing demographic data. Client case records. Other program or agency records. Native Band records.

Results: The data suggest a substantial difference between the client and non-client groups with native mothers from whom a child was admitted to care. Non-client groups appear to differ from mothers in the native population at large in terms of the combined age and rate of childbearing.

Relevant to: Prevention.

Reports: Patterns of Childbearing Among Native Client and Non-client Families.

Access to report is limited to MCSS and agencies involved.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: London Area Office

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts		3,910	
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs		3,910	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 3,910
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 3,910

REPORT ON MATERNITY HOMES: POST-NATAL SUPPORT PROGRAM

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 01/84 - 06/85.

Study Type: Evaluation of a demonstration/pilot project.

Program Studied: Post-natal support programs in five maternity homes in Ontario.

Objectives: To assess the impact of post-natal support programs in terms of who is being served and what services are being received. To compare the program participants and the control sample of mothers, and changes in the program participants on the outcome measures, over a six-month interval.

Components: Descriptive program survey. Outcome evaluation.

Data Sources: Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families.

Results: There is evidence of improved child care and increased self-sufficiency among the program participants.

Relevant to: Prevention.

Reports: Report on Community Programs for Young Mothers.

Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS purchase of service contract: Prevention Funding

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts	11,246	2,954	
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs	11,246	2,954	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 14,200
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 14,200

Operational costs of the demonstration/pilot project: 126,000

Sources of operational funds: Prevention Funding

SAFE HOMES FEASIBILITY STUDY

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	an interval/transition house
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	03/85 - 06/85.
Objectives:	To investigate the feasibility of establishing a network of "safe homes" for battered and abused women living in Middlesex County. To identify other services which are necessary for this target population.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Survey research. Needs assessment. Organizational research. Descriptive program survey. Cost analysis.
Data Sources:	Existing demographic data. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff.
Results:	There are severe limitations with the "safe home" approach. The study recommends alternatively, the implementation of a comprehensive rural outreach program in the county, including a transportation network, a toll-free telephone counselling service and a public education program.
Relevant to:	Home support or community living.
Reports:	Safe Homes Feasibility Study. Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: London Area Office

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts		9,750	
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs		9,750	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 9,750
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 9,750

SERVICE AUDIT: FAMILY COUNSELLING

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: a children's aid society

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 01/86 - 03/86.

Program Studied: Family Counselling.

Objectives: To provide assurance to the agency's Board of Directors, senior management, funders, and the community that adequate services are being provided to the agency's clients.

Components: Organizational research. Service audit.

Data Sources: Client case records. Other program or agency records. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff.

Results: The study made the following recommendations: improve the planning aspect of case management; develop guidelines and review long-term cases where only minimal support is required for possible transfer to other services or termination; develop a policy, procedure and practice manual for family counselling; and indicate clearly the need for good recording. There is also a need to redesign the existing system, and to examine the role and function of supervisors.

Relevant to: Casework or counselling.

Reports: Service Audit: Family Counselling.

Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Toronto Area Office; United Way

THE SOCIALIZATION PROCESS IN MULTI-PROBLEM FAMILIES

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	01/85 - 12/87.
Program Studied:	C.P.R.I.'s Home Behaviour Training Program.
Objectives:	To study interactional and socio-economic factors associated with behaviour change in parents and children from severely disadvantaged families.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research.
Data Sources:	Existing demographic data. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Telephone interviews with clients or families. Structured observation.
Results:	To be included in final report.
Relevant to:	Prevention. Treatment.
Reports:	The Socialization Process in Multi-problem Families. Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources:	Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (S.S.H.R.C.)

A STUDY OF THE CLIENT CHARACTERISTICS AND TREATMENT PRACTICES OF A HOME CARE PROGRAM

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a children's mental health centre
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	05/85 - 06/86.
Program Studied:	Home Care Program.
Objectives:	To develop a comprehensive profile of the clients admitted to the Home Care Program. To identify the services and strategies used with subgroups of clients. To determine whether a relationship exists between treatment practices and the various clinical or demographic characteristics of the clients.
Components:	Descriptive program survey.
Data Sources:	Existing demographic data. Client case records. Other program or agency records. Additional psychometric tests.
Results:	Included in final report.
Relevant to:	Treatment. Casework or counselling.
Reports:	A Study of the Client Characteristics and Treatment Practices of a Home Care Program. Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources:	Core budget only

TOWARD THE DEVELOPMENT OF 'ADHOCRATIC' SOCIAL SUPPORT: A FORMATIVE EVALUATION OF THE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S AID SOCIETY FAMILY SUPPORT PROGRAMS

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a children's aid society
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	10/85 - 04/86.
Study Type:	Evaluation of an ongoing program.
Program Studied:	Family Support Programs.
Objectives:	To examine the two family support programs provided by the RCCAS to gain an improved understanding of how the two programs operate and how to improve the delivery of family support programs to agency clients.
Components:	Survey research. Needs assessment. Organizational research. Descriptive program survey. Outcome evaluation.
Data Sources:	Client case records. Other program or agency records. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families. Structured observation.
Results:	Family support activities need to be restructured into a centralized unit in which program development and provision are based upon the needs of the agency's client population, with the expectation that programs will change as need dictates.
Relevant to:	Prevention. Day programming. Home support or community living.
Reports:	Toward the Development of 'Adhocratic' Social Support: A Formative Evaluation of the Roman Catholic Children's Aid Society Family Support Programs. Access to report is limited to agencies involved.

FUNDING

Sources: Core budget only

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts			
Core budget		2,750	
Estimated Total Costs		2,750	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 2,750
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 2,750

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ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE IN DOWN'S SYNDROME: COGNITIVE, BIOCHEMICAL AND GENETIC STUDIES

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	Ongoing.
Objectives:	To investigate age, gender, institute karyotype and activities of the red cell oxygen metabolizing enzymes: superoxide dismutase (SOD encoded on chromosome 21), catalaze (CAT-encoded on chromosome 11) and glutathion peroxydase (GSHPx, encoded on chromosome 3) in order to clarify variation in cognitive function in adults with Down's syndrome.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research. Laboratory research.
Data Sources:	Laboratory tests. Structured observation.
Results:	The study revealed a significant age effect on cognitive scores, a difference in the age effect between males and females and a significant institutional effect for males. Out of six individuals with the highest cognitive scores, four showed evidence of possible mosaicism in their T-lymphocytes. One subject whose cognitive status was uncertain showed an unusual mosaic. In paired analysis of Down's subjects and controls, matched for age and other parameters studied, the mean SOD and GSHPx activities were found to be significantly higher in Down's subjects than in controls.
Relevant to:	Prevention.
Reports:	Alzheimer's Disease in Down's Syndrome: Cognitive, Biochemical and Genetic Studies. Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS lottery funds; Ministry of Health

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts	28,300	37,380	46,900
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs	28,300	37,380	46,900

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 65,680
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 112,580

BEHAVIOUR MANAGEMENT IN PROGRAMS FOR THE DEVELOPMENTALLY HANDICAPPED

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	10/85 - 06/86.
Objectives:	To identify methods to improve the skill level of workers in programs for the developmentally handicapped.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Descriptive program survey.
Data Sources:	Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff. Structured observation.
Results:	Included in final report.
Relevant to:	Rehabilitation. Day programming. Home support or community living.
Reports:	Behaviour Management in Programs for the Developmentally Handicapped. Access to report is limited to agencies involved.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Windsor Area Office

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts			
Core budget		500	
Estimated Total Costs		500	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 500
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 500

BIOCHEMICAL GENETIC CHARACTERIZATION OF THE SANFILIPPO-A GENOTYPES

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 08/85 - 08/87.

Objectives: To identify the characteristics by which carriers of Sanfillippo-A syndrome may be identified.

Components: Laboratory research.

Data Sources: Laboratory tests.

Results: To be included in final report.

Relevant to: Prevention.

Reports: Biochemical Genetic Characterization of the Sanfilippo-A Genotypes.

Access to report is limited to the professional community.

FUNDING

Sources: Banting Research Foundation; National Science and Engineering Research Council (N.S.E.R.C.)

BIOFEEDBACK IN THE TREATMENT OF AGGRESSIVE AND SELF-INJURIOUS BEHAVIOUR

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 04/83 - ongoing.

Objectives: To evaluate the effectiveness of biofeedback and related relaxation procedures in treating severe behaviour problems.

Components: Clinical research. Evaluability assessment.

Data Sources: Laboratory tests. Structured observation.

Results: The developmentally handicapped can learn to effectively utilize biofeedback or relaxation techniques to acquire greater self-control.

Relevant to: Prevention. Rehabilitation. Treatment.

Reports: Biofeedback in the Treatment of Aggressive and Self-injurious Behaviour.

Access to report is limited to MCSS and the professional community.

FUNDING

Sources: Rideau Regional Centre

BIOFEEDBACK TRAINING: MEASUREMENT OF GENERALIZATION EFFECT

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	01/86 - 10/86.
Study Type:	Evaluation of an ongoing program.
Program Studied:	Biofeedback Research Project.
Objectives:	To determine the means of generalizing biofeedback training effects (relaxation) across time, setting and specific daily situations from training conditions. To devise a reliable and objective method of measuring or monitoring generalization effects.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research. Laboratory research. Outcome evaluation.
Data Sources:	Additional psychometric tests. Laboratory tests. Structured observation.
Results:	Preliminary findings indicate that BPM (beats/minute) measures predictably co-vary with EMG (Electromyographical) relaxation measures. This co-variance may allow the use of hand-held portable BPM apparatuses to measure relaxation effects outside of the EMG training area.
Relevant to:	Prevention. Rehabilitation. Treatment.
Reports:	Biofeedback Training: Measurement of Generalization Effect. Access to report is limited to MCSS and the professional community.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Applied Program Technology Unit; Southwestern Regional Centre

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts		10,000	
Core budget	4,000	4,000	4,000
Estimated Total Costs	4,000	14,000	4,000

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 18,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 22,000

BIRTH DEFECTS PREVENTION

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 01/75 - ongoing.

Objectives: To identify clients and their families who have a high risk of having children with developmental handicaps and to use appropriate laboratory, clinical and genetic counselling procedures to prevent this occurrence.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research. Laboratory research.

Data Sources: Client case records. Other program or agency records. Laboratory tests. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families.

Results: Genetic abnormalities that can be diagnosed by present techniques account for approximately forty per cent of residents in Schedule II facilities, and are the most significant recognizable cause of mental defect.

Relevant to: Prevention.

Reports: Birth Defects Prevention. Report is planned.

Report will be available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: C.P.R.I.

CELL SURFACE GLYCOPROTEINS OF A DIFFERENTIATING NEUROBLASTOMA

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 07/83 - 07/87.

Objectives: To study the role of cell surface glycoproteins in neuronal development.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature. Laboratory research.

Data Sources: Laboratory tests.

Results: Undifferentiated and differentiated NG 108-15 neuroblastoma cells differ in both quantitative and qualitative expressions of a variety of cell surface lectin receptors.

Relevant to: Prevention.

Reports: Cell Surface Glycoproteins of a Differentiating Neuroblastoma.

Reports are available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: Medical Research Council

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts			
Core budget	32,000	35,000	75,000
Estimated Total Costs	32,000	35,000	75,000

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 67,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 142,000

CLINICAL INVESTIGATIONS IN LEAD POISONING AND HEREDITARY PORPHYRIAS

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	04/85 - 03/86.
Objectives:	To investigate a procedure that could mobilize lead, e.g. Unithiol therapy. To study changes in Heme biosynthesis which is affected by lead. To develop a new method of porphyrin analysis by means of High Performance Liquid Chromatography (HPLC).
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research. Laboratory research.
Data Sources:	Client case records. Laboratory tests. Telephone interviews with clients or families.
Results:	The study identified a new assay technique for porphyrin determinations by means of HPLC. Measurements of urinary delta-aminolevulinic acid and porphobilinogen by ion-exchange chromatography were validated in an extensive study. Preliminary results suggest that Valproate, an anticonvulsant drug, may affect enzymes in the Heme biosynthetic pathway by means of depleting pyridoxal-6-phosphate stores.
Relevant to:	Prevention. Treatment.
Reports:	Clinical Investigations in Lead Poisoning and Hereditary Porphyrias. Access to report is limited to MCSS and the professional community.

FUNDING

Sources:	C.P.R.I.

COMMUNITY PLACEMENT AND DEVELOPMENTALLY HANDICAPPED ADULTS - THE ISSUE OF MORALITY

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a mental retardation facility
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	01/86 - 05/86.
Objectives:	To determine whether the developmentally handicapped living in the community demonstrate a higher ability on a scale of moral development than those living in an institution.
Components:	Clinical research.
Data Sources:	Client case records. Additional psychometric tests. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff.
Results:	Developmentally handicapped adults living in the community attained significantly higher scores on a scale of moral development (Kurtines et al.) than those living in an institution. There was no significant difference between actual scores and those estimated by staff.
Relevant to:	Home support or community living.
Reports:	Community Placement and Developmentally Handicapped Adults - The Issue of Morality. Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources:	Core budget only

COMMUNITY STAFF ATTITUDES TOWARDS A FACILITY-BASED COMMUNITY SERVICE PROVISION AND BEHAVIOURAL TREATMENT APPROACHES

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	03/84 - 12/85.
Program Studied:	Local Associations for the Mentally Retarded in Southwestern Ontario.
Objectives:	To examine the attitudes of staff employed by community agencies with regard to behavioural forms of treatment as well as placement issues, perceived competency and level of acceptance of facility-based community services.
Components:	Survey research. Needs assessment.
Data Sources:	Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff.
Results:	Community staff strongly favour behavioural intervention, but are not confident with their skill level in this area. They perceive the need for additional specialized training. The majority indicated that severe behaviour problems could not be handled successfully. Ninety per cent of respondents would look for assistance from facility-based community support teams.
Relevant to:	Prevention. Treatment. Home support or community living.
Reports:	Community Staff Attitudes Towards a Facility-based Community Service Provision and Behavioural Treatment Approaches. Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: Oxford Regional Centre

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts			
Core budget	500		
Estimated Total Costs	500		

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 500
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 500

COUNSELLING AND SUPPORT NEEDS OF THE ADULT MENTALLY HANDICAPPED POPULATION AND THEIR FAMILIES

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: a local association for the mentally retarded

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 01/85 - 09/85.

Objectives: To profile the developmentally handicapped adult population and describe present service delivery. To identify and priorize gaps in service delivery.

Components: Survey research. Needs assessment.

Data Sources: Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families.

Results: The study identified gaps in the following areas: group sessions; professional counselling; on-going support and communication; service follow-up; advocacy for legal issues and family benefits; assistance with direction and planning for the future; training in community living; and counselling with respect to maturity and sexuality.

Relevant to: Day programming. Home support or community living.

Reports: Counselling and Support Needs of the Adult Mentally Handicapped Population and their Families.

Access to report is limited to agencies involved.

FUNDING

Sources: Core budget only

DEMONSTRATION PROJECT ON COMPUTER-AIDED LEARNING FOR DEVELOPMENTALLY HANDICAPPED ADULTS

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	02/85 - 12/85.
Study Type:	Evaluation of a demonstration or pilot project.
Program Studied:	Computer-aided Learning for Developmentally Handicapped Adults.
Objectives:	To evaluate software developed for training developmentally handicapped adults. To assess the usefulness and acceptability of computer-aided learning (CAL).
Components:	Clinical research. Outcome evaluation.
Data Sources:	Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff. Structured observation. Language tests.
Results:	CAL is acceptable to staff and severely handicapped clients. Clients show increases in receptive vocabulary as well as improved behaviour, e.g., more attentiveness to task and less disruptive behaviour, as a result of the CAL experience. CAL has now become an aspect of the speech and language program at Huronia Regional Centre.
Relevant to:	Treatment.
Reports:	Demonstration Project on Computer-aided Learning for Developmentally Handicapped Adults. Access to report is limited to MCSS, agencies involved and the professional community.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Applied Program Technology Unit

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts		10,000	100
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs		10,000	100

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 10,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 10,100

DEVELOPMENT OF CHORION BIOPSY FOR PRENATAL DIAGNOSIS - OBSTETRIC, CYTOGENETIC AND MOLECULAR STUDIES

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 03/84 - 02/86.

Objectives: To develop a technique of successful chorion biopsy, as measured by the removal of sufficient chorionic villus tissue, for prenatal diagnosis to ascertain the biological health of the fetus. To identify which biopsy instruments give the best results. To identify the optimal trophoblast sampling site using real time ultrasonography. To develop the cytogenetic and molecular tehniques for analysis of chorionic villi. To examine the potential problem of maternal cell contamination.

Components: Clinical research. Laboratory research. Survey research. Resources inventory. Descriptive program survey. Process evaluation.

Data Sources: Client case records. Laboratory tests. Structured observation.

Results: Sufficient expertise has been developed in the obstetric and cytogenetic techniques to confidently provide the CVS procedure on a service basis. Adequate amounts of trophoblast sample can be obtained with the least risk at 10-11 weeks of gestation. The risks associated with the procedure will continue to be monitored. Cytogenetic analysis can be obtained with a high degree of success (98 per cent) and the ability to band chromosomes has improved considerably. The accuracy of cytogenetic analysis from trophoblast tissue will probably be very close to the accuracy obtained by the analysis of amniotic fluid cells.

Relevant to: Prevention. Treatment. Casework or counselling.

Reports: Development of Chorion Biopsy for Prenatal Diagnosis - Obstetric, Cytogenetic and Molecular Studies.

Access to report is limited to agencies involved.

FUNDING

Sources: Physicians Services Incorporated (PSI)

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts	34,656	36,735	
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs	34,656	36,735	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 71,391
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 71,391

DIRECTORY OF ASSESSMENT SERVICES FOR PEOPLE WITH DEVELOPMENTAL HANDICAPS

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	04/85 - 09/86.
Program Studied:	Individual Program Planning (I.P.P.) Projects.
Objectives:	To revise and update a provincial resources inventory of assessment services which provide services to people with developmental handicaps.
Components:	Resources inventory.
Data Sources:	Other program or agency records. Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff. Telephone interviews with MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff.
Results:	Included in final report.
Relevant to:	Day programming. Treatment. Home support or community living.
Reports:	Directory of Assessment Services for People with Developmental Handicaps. Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: Handicapped Persons' Services Section

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts		20,000	
Core budget	40,000	45,000	45,000
Estimated Total Costs	40,000	65,000	45,000

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 105,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 150,000

DNA ANALYSIS FOR THE DIAGNOSIS OF HAEMOPHILIA A AND B - FRAGILE X SYNDROME GENETIC MARKER USE

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a mental retardation facility
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	08/84 - 09/87.
Objectives:	To determine the need for, and efficiency of, DNA diagnosis for haemophilia families in Ontario.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research. Laboratory research. Survey research. Needs assessment. Resources inventory. Organizational research. Cost analysis. Cost effectiveness/cost benefit analysis.
Data Sources:	Existing demographic data. Client case records. Other program or agency records. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families.
Results:	To be included in final report.
Relevant to:	Prevention.
Reports:	DNA Analysis for the Diagnosis of Haemophilia A and B. Report will be available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: Ministry of Health

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts	5,000	98,500	98,500
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs	5,000	98,500	98,500

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 103,500
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 202,000

THE EFFECTS OF FENFLURAMINE ON AUTISM: AN ATTEMPT TO REPLICATE THE UCLA STUDY

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 06/84 - 09/85.

Program Studied: Treatment, Research and Education for Autism and Developmental Disorders (TRE-ADD).

Objectives: To assess the effects of the drug Fenfluramine Hydrochloride on fifteen autistic children and adolescents.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research. Laboratory research.

Data Sources: Existing demographic data. Client case records. Additional psychometric tests. Laboratory tests. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families.

Results: No beneficial effects, based on group data, were obtained on measures of IQ, ABS-SE, Real Life Rating Scale or on partial videotaped data.

Relevant to: Treatment.

Reports: The Effects of Fenfluramine on Autism: An Attempt to Replicate the UCLA Study.

Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: Thistletown Regional Centre; Ontario Society for Autistic Children

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts	6,000		
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs	6,000		

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 6,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 6,000

THE EFFECTS OF STRUCTURED MODELLING AND SMALL GROUP PROCESSES ON THE SELF-INJURIOUS BEHAVIOUR OF THE MENTALLY RETARDED

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	08/85 - ongoing.
Objectives:	To determine whether the use of techniques based on social role modelling can lead to a reduction in self-injurious behaviour among nine mentally retarded clients who are paired with nine non-self-injurious clients on a permanent ward setting.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research.
Data Sources:	Existing demographic data. Client case records. Additional psychometric tests.
Results:	To be included in final report.
Relevant to:	Prevention. Treatment.
Reports:	The Effects of Structured Modelling and Small Group Processes on the Self-injurious Behaviour of the Mentally Retarded. Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources: Southwestern Regional Centre

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts			
Core budget		10,368	
Estimated Total Costs		10,368	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 10,368
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 10,368

EMPLOYMENT TRENDS IN THE REGION OF WATERLOO

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	an Ontario-wide association
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	01/86 - 05/86.
Objectives:	To analyse employment trends in Waterloo Region in order to determine the occupational sectors which are most likely to absorb the labour force in the immediate future.
Components:	Survey research. Needs assessment. Resources inventory.
Data Sources:	Existing demographic data. Other program or agency records. Telephone interviews with MCSS or agency staff.
Results:	Included in final report.
Relevant to:	Rehabilitation.
Reports:	Employment Trends in the Region of Waterloo. Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources: Core budget only

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts			
Core budget		1,575	945
Estimated Total Costs		1,575	945

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 1,575
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 2,520

EVALUATION OF THE OUTREACH ATTENDANT CARE PROGRAM

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	R. Hedges, J. Richards and D. Beckers, Disabled Persons and Employment Services Unit
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	01/86 - 06/86.
Program Studied:	Outreach Attendant Care Program.
Objectives:	To develop a client and program profile. To assess client, sponsor and program supervisor satisfaction with the program. To determine the extent to which Outreach has achieved its initial goals and objectives. To identify the areas of service demand.
Components:	Survey research. Needs assessment. Resources inventory. Organizational research. Descriptive program survey.
Data Sources:	Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff. Telephone interviews with MCSS or agency staff.
Results:	The high level of satisfaction expressed by the majority of respondents indicates that the program has been successful in meeting its original objectives.
Relevant to:	Home support or community living.
Reports:	Evaluation of the Outreach Attendant Care Program. Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: Disabled Persons and Employment Services Unit

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts			
Core budget		5,000	
Estimated Total Costs		5,000	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 5,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 5,000

EVALUATION OF THE SOUTHEASTERN ONTARIO MENTAL RETARDATION PREVENTION PROJECT

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Charlotte Rosenbaum, Evalusearch Research Consultants
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	06/80 - 03/87.
Study Type:	Evaluation of a demonstration or pilot project.
Program Studied:	Southeastern Ontario Mental Retardation Prevention Project.
Objectives:	To evaluate the program's impact on the prevention of mental retardation. To assess its feasibility, operational effectiveness and cost effectiveness. To provide information relevant to the planning of prevention services.
Components:	Cost-effectiveness or cost-benefit analysis. Process evaluation. Outcome evaluation.
Data Sources:	Client case records. Other program or agency records. Laboratory tests. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families.
Results:	The findings for the first three years of operation indicate that the model of service is feasible. The program is generally effective in increasing the clients' knowledge and understanding of their reproductive risks.
Relevant to:	Prevention.
Reports:	Southeastern Ontario Mental Retardation Prevention Program Evaluation. Final evaluation report is planned. Access to report will be limited to MCSS and agencies involved.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS purchase of service contract: Research and Program Evaluation Unit

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts	84,817	4,517	26,778
Core budget	19,800	1,000	2,000
Estimated Total Costs	104,617	5,517	28,778

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 110,134
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 138,912

Operational costs of the demonstration/pilot project:	809,285	164,737	171,326

Sources of operational funds: MCSS Prevention Funding

EVALUATION OF THE USE OF LITHIUM CARBONATE IN THE MANAGEMENT OF DISTURBED BEHAVIOUR IN THE MENTALLY RETARDED

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 07/85 - 12/85.

Objectives: To evaluate further the results of the clinical use of Lithium to treat disturbed behaviour in the developmentally handicapped. To determine the nature of presenting symptoms and evaluate the results against a control group.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research. Outcome evaluation.

Data Sources: Existing demographic data. Client case records. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families.

Results: Included in final report.

Relevant to: Treatment.

Reports: Evaluation of the Use of Lithium Carbonate in the Management of Disturbed Behaviour in the Mentally Retarded.

Access to report is limited to the professional community.

FUNDING

Sources: C.P.R.I.

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts			
Core budget		1,000	
Estimated Total Costs		1,000	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 1,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 1,000

EXPLORATORY DESCRIPTIVE STUDY OF EPILEPSY AMONG INSTITUTIONALIZED DEVELOPMENTALLY HANDICAPPED

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Dr. Alex Rnic, Ottawa Area Office
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	12/84 - 12/86.
Objectives:	To determine if the characteristics of epileptic individuals significantly differ from non-epileptic individuals in a residential population.
Components:	Survey research.
Data Sources:	Existing demographic data. Client case records.
Results:	Key demographic descriptors significantly differ between the identified samples.
Relevant to:	Prevention. Treatment.
Reports:	Exploratory Descriptive Study of Epilepsy Among Institutionalized Developmentally Handicapped. Access to report is limited to MCSS and the professional community.

FUNDING

Sources: Rideau Regional Centre

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts			
Core budget		1,000	
Estimated Total Costs		1,000	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 1,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 1,000

FAMILY ADJUSTMENT TO A HANDICAPPED CHILD

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a children's aid society
Principal Investigator:	Dr. Patricia M. Minnes, Queen's University
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	08/85 - 08/86.
Objectives:	To investigate the relationships between child-related characteristics, the degree of handicap, and family-related characteristics to stress in families who are coping with a handicapped child living at home.
Components:	Survey research.
Data Sources:	Face-to-face interviews with clients or families.
Results:	To be included in final report.
Relevant to:	Treatment. Home support or community living. Casework or counselling.
Reports:	Family Adjustment to a Handicapped Child. Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Kingston Area Office

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts		4,358	
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs		4,358	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 4,358
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 4,358

FOXX'S "STACK THE DECK": TEACHING SOCIAL SKILLS TO MENTALLY HANDICAPPED ADOLESCENTS

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Scott Fagan and Karen Gray, Thistletown Regional Centre
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	09/84 - 06/85.
Program Studied:	Treatment, Research and Education for Autism and Developmental Disorders (TRE-ADD).
Objectives:	To assess the effects of a structured game format training package on the social skills of three handicapped adolescents.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research.
Data Sources:	Client case records.
Results:	The findings indicate that this program is successful in improving the social knowledge and skills of developmentally disordered adolescents.
Relevant to:	Day programming. Treatment.
Reports:	Foxx's "Stack the Deck": Teaching Social Skills to Mentally Handicapped Adolescents. Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources:	Thistletown Regional Centre

FUCOSIDOSIS: CHARACTERIZATION OF A VARIANT FORM

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Dr. B.A. Gordon, C.P.R.I.
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 04/82 - 03/87.

Objectives: To identify the specific biochemical features which distinguish a patient with a neurodegenerative disease, lysosomal storage, and excretion of oligosaccharides containing terminal alpha-lucosidase 1 and 2 Galactose linkages from the previously defined classical fucosidosis patients.

Components: Clinical research. Laboratory research.

Data Sources: Client case records. Laboratory tests.

Results: Included in reports.

Relevant to: Prevention. Treatment.

Reports: A Unique Fucosidosis Variant.

Access to reports is limited to MCSS and the professional community.

FUNDING

Sources: C.P.R.I.

Costs (in dollars)

	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts			
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs		4,000	2,000
		4,000	2,000

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 4,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 6,000

A HISTORICAL COHORT STUDY TO INVESTIGATE THE POSSIBLE ASSOCIATION BETWEEN THE USE OF DEPO-PROVERA AND BREAST CANCER IN A POPULATION OF INSTITUTIONALIZED MENTALLY RETARDED WOMEN

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: a mental retardation facility

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 09/82 - 10/85.

Objectives: To identify and document the characteristics of institutionalized mentally retarded women, including those exposed to Depo-Provera (DMPA). To determine the possible association, if any, between the administration of DMPA and the occurrence of cancer of the breast, taking into account other possible associated factors. To identify other statistically related associations between the use of DMPA with or without other prescription medications on the general health status of institutionalized mentally retarded women.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature. Survey research. Outcome evaluation.

Data Sources: Existing demographic data. Client case records. Other program or agency records. Laboratory tests. Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff.

Results: Although the results are not statistically conclusive, there appears to be no direct relationship between exposure to DMPA and the subsequent development of cancer of the breast. A direct relationship of statistical significance does exist between exposure to DMPA and the development of menstrual disorders and metrorrhagia. The study concludes that DMPA does not represent an undue health hazard and, therefore, there is no reason to discontinue its use for the purposes of suppressing menstruation among institutionalized mentally retarded women.

Relevant to: Treatment.

Reports: A Historical Cohort Study to Investigate the Possible Association Between the Use of Depo-Provera and Breast Cancer in a Population of Institutionalized Mentally Retarded Women.

Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Kingston Area Office; Queen's University

IMPAIRED GALACTOSE METABOLISM IN A CHILD WITH HEPATIC GLYCOGEN STORAGE

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

Principal Investigator: Dr. B.A. Gordon, C.P.R.I.

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 11/85 - 12/86.

Objectives: To identify a biochemical defect in a child who presented, at 1 year of age, with failure to thrive, developmental delay, hepatomegaly, galactosemia and galactosuria, and was found, on liver biopsy, to have significant liver glycogen storage.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research. Laboratory research.

Data Sources: Client case records. Laboratory tests. Structured observation.

Results: The patient with symptoms of galactosemia but without cataracts developed hypoglycemia when a galactose-free diet was started. The patient shows normal activities of galactose-1-Puridyl transferase, galactokinase and glucose-6-phosphatase. Skin fibroblasts in preliminary studies have a reduced capacity to oxidize ^{14}C-galactose.

Relevant to: Prevention. Treatment.

Reports: Impaired Galactose Metabolism in a Child with Hepatic Glycogen Storage.

Access to report will be limited to MCSS and the professional community.

FUNDING

Sources: C.P.R.I.

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts			
Core budget		2,000	2,000
Estimated Total Costs		2,000	2,000

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 2,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 4,000

INVESTIGATION OF INDIVIDUAL FAMILIES WITH UNUSUAL CHROMOSOME ABERRATIONS

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

Principal Investigator: Dr. J.M. Berg and Dr. V. Markovic, Surrey Place Centre

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: Ongoing.

Objectives: To document information intended to help elucidate the consequences and implications of various chromosome anomalies as an aid to service.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research. Laboratory research. Survey research.

Data Sources: Existing demographic data. Client case records. Additional psychometric tests. Laboratory tests. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families.

Results: To be included in final report.

Relevant to: Prevention. Rehabilitation.

Reports: Investigation of Individual Families with Unusual Chromosome Aberrations.

Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources: Surrey Place Centre

AN INVESTIGATION OF THE METABOLIC DEFECT IN NEURONAL CEROID LIPOFUSCINOSIS (NCL)

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	07/84 - ongoing.
Objectives:	To characterize the origin of the storage material in NCL and to determine the metabolic defect.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research. Laboratory research.
Data Sources:	Client case records. Laboratory tests.
Results:	NCL fibroblasts are more sensitive to the protease inhibitors, leupeptins. Rat liver lysosome membranes have been isolated and characterized for use as an antigen.
Relevant to:	Prevention.
Reports:	Reports to be published periodically in medical and scientific literature. Reports will be available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: Medical Research Council

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts		5,000	
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs		5,000	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 5,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 5,000

KINGSTON ACCESSIBLE HOUSING REGISTRY

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	an Ontario-wide association
Principal Investigator:	Margarite Buell, Ontario March of Dimes
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	10/85 - 01/86.
Objectives:	To develop a directory of accessible housing in the city of Kingston.
Components:	Survey research. Resources inventory.
Data Sources:	Structured observation.
Results:	Included in final report.
Relevant to:	Home support or community living.
Reports:	Kingston Accessible Housing Registry. Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources:	Core budget only

LEARNING DISABLED AND VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a sheltered workshop
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	09/85 - 12/85.
Program Studied:	Vocational Rehabilitation Centre.
Objectives:	To determine if learning disabled adults need vocational rehabilitation. To identify the role the VRC could play in serving this client group.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Survey research. Needs assessment.
Data Sources:	Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff.
Results:	Learning disabled adults would require their own individual rehabilitation plan. More than one vocational need would have to be addressed. Work experience would be beneficial to the learning disabled adult. The vocational rehabilitation counselor could act as liaison between the learning disabled adult and the employer.
Relevant to:	Rehabilitation. Casework or counselling.
Reports:	Learning Disabled Adults and Their Need for Vocational Rehabilitation. Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources:	Core budget only

LIFE EXPECTANCY OF MENTALLY RETARDED PERSONS IN CANADIAN INSTITUTIONS: A TWELVE YEAR COMPARISON

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Lucille C. Wolf, C.P.R.I.
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	01/86 - 05/86.
Objectives:	To determine the life expectancy of developmentally handicapped persons in Canadian institutions on the basis of age, gender and level of retardation.
Components:	Needs assessment.
Data Sources:	Existing demographic data.
Results:	Included in final report.
Relevant to:	Rehabilitation. Residential or group care.
Reports:	Life Expectancy of Mentally Retarded Persons in Canadian Institutions: A Twelve Year Comparison. Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: Office for Senior Citizens' Affairs

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts		3,959	
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs		3,959	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 3,959
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 3,959

LYSOSOMAL METABOLISM OF GLYCOGEN: THE SIGNIFICANCE OF MANNOSE GLUCOSE (MAN-GLC) OLIGOMERS IN TYPE II GLYCOGENOSIS (GSD II)

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

Principal Investigator: Dr. B.A. Gordon, C.P.R.I.

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 06/85 - 12/86.

Objectives: To identify and characterize structure (Man/Glc ratio) linkage and concentration of Man/Glc containing oligomers in urine, and tissues of GSD II patients. To establish the contribution Man may make to lysosomal metabolism of glycogen.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research. Laboratory research.

Data Sources: Client case records. Laboratory tests.

Results: GSD II patients characterized by hypotonia and progressive cardiomyopathy have lysosomal glycogen storage deficient acid alpha 1,4 glucosidase activity and characteristic oligosacchariduria. In a heptasaccharide, from urine oligosaccharides, Man is present at a Man/Glc ratio of 2:1. Similar oligosaccharide is present in the tissues from one of these patients.

Relevant to: Prevention. Treatment.

Reports: Lysosomal Metabolism of Glycogen: The Significance of Mannose Glucose (Man-Glc) Oligomers in Type II Glycogenosis (GSD II). The Significance of Man-Glc Oligomers in Type II Glycogenosis.

Access to reports will be limited to MCSS and the professional community.

FUNDING

Sources: C.P.R.I.

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts			
Core budget		500	1,000
Estimated Total Costs		500	1,000

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 500
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 1,500

MOLECULAR ANALYSIS OF THE GENE FOR SANFILIPPO-A SYNDROME

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Dr. Marion Coulter-Mackie, C.P.R.I.
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	01/85 - ongoing.
Objectives:	To purify the enzyme involved in Sanfilippo-A syndrome and develop a DNA probe for the gene responsible.
Components:	Laboratory research.
Data Sources:	Laboratory tests.
Results:	The enzyme involved in Sanfilippo-A syndrome has been purified substantially.
Relevant to:	Prevention.
Reports:	Molecular Analysis of the Gene for Sanfilippo-A Syndrome. Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources: Banting Research Foundation; University of Western Ontario Academic Development Fund

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts		23,000	50,000
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs		23,000	50,000

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 23,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 73,000

MORAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE DEVELOPMENTALLY HANDICAPPED

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: a mental retardation facility

Principal Investigator: Rosanne Field, Queen's University

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 01/86 - 04/86.

Objectives: To assess whether adult developmentally handicapped individuals are capable of autonomous moral development (as might be predicted) from limited attainment of stages of cognitive development.

Components: Clinical research.

Data Sources: Client case records. Additional psychometric tests. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families.

Results: Adult developmentally handicapped persons are capable of moral development as assessed by the Kurtines Moral Development Scale. The results are compatible with a social learning process. No differences were found between clients living in institutions and those living in the community.

Relevant to: Home support or community living.

Reports: Moral Development in the Developmentally Handicapped.

Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: Core budget only

A NOVEL DISTURBANCE IN LYSOSOMAL ENZYME TRANSLOCATION

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

Principal Investigator: Dr. B.A. Gordon, C.P.R.I.

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 03/84 - 03/87.

Objectives: To characterize the specific biochemical defect in a child with developmental delay and abnormal enzyme translocation. To define the clinical, biochemical and ultrastructural differences between this patient and those with mucolipidoses II or III, the only other known diseases in man with defective lysosomal enzyme translocation.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research. Laboratory research.

Data Sources: Laboratory tests.

Results: The child with significant developmental delay showed i) grossly elevated serum acid hydrolases; ii) abnormal loss of enzyme from cultured fibroblasts into media; iii) reduced concanavalin A binding of serum acid hydrolases; iv) normal activity of the lysosomal enzyme-P-A-acetyl glucosimine transferase which is deficient in mucolipidosis II and III; v) apparently normal uptake of enzyme which the patient's cells excrete into media, i.e., a signal for lysosomal uptake on a nascent enzyme which is apparently normal.

Relevant to: Prevention. Treatment.

Reports: A Novel Disturbance of Enzyme Translocation, submitted for publication.

Access to report is limited to MCSS and the professional community.

FUNDING

Sources: C.P.R.I.

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts			
Core budget		3,000	4,000
Estimated Total Costs		3,000	4,000

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 3,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 7,000

OLDER DEVELOPMENTALLY HANDICAPPED PERSONS - NEEDS AND SERVICES

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	11/85 - 04/86.
Objectives:	To assist local services within the Hamilton Area of MCSS in planning services for older developmentally handicapped persons.
Components:	Needs assessment. Resources inventory.
Data Sources:	Existing demographic data.
Results:	The task force reaffirmed that there will be an increasing number of older developmentally handicapped persons. Existing day programs, residential and support services will require significant adjustments to meet the needs of this client group. The task force also identified existing services and current service issues associated with this group.
Relevant to:	Day programming. Home support or community living. Residential or group care.
Reports:	Older Developmentally Handicapped Persons - Needs and Services. Access to report is limited to MCSS and agencies involved.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Hamilton Area Office

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts		3,000	
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs		3,000	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 3,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 3,000

ONTARIO MARCH OF DIMES MICROCOMPUTER APPLICATIONS TRAINING PROJECT

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	11/84 - 11/87.
Study Type:	Evaluation of a demonstration or pilot project.
Program Studied:	Microcomputer Applications Training Project.
Objectives:	To provide useful computer skills and employment experience for severely physically disabled adults. To design and initiate an evaluation of the effectiveness of the program.
Components:	Evaluability assessment. Process evaluation. Outcome evaluation.
Data Sources:	Structured observation. Self-administered questionnaires to employers. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families.
Results:	According to employers, students will be capable of employment as long as people who hire severely physically disabled employees have realistic expectations and are willing to regroup specific job tasks to reflect the employee's skills or make adjustments to the physical environment.
Relevant to:	Rehabilitation. Income maintenance.
Reports:	An Evaluation of the Microcomputer Applications Training Project. Report will be available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS purchase of service contract: Applied Program Technology Unit

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Operational costs of the demonstration/pilot project:		2,500	

Sources of operational funds: Ontario March of Dimes

ONTARIO MARCH OF DIMES - ETHNIC DISABLED SUPPORT CIRCLE PROJECT

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	an Ontario-wide association
Principal Investigator:	Mary Virginillo and Manuela Almeida, Ontario March of Dimes
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	04/85 - 09/85.
Objectives:	To determine the need for, and awareness of, programs to service the ethno-racial disabled population.
Components:	Survey research. Needs assessment.
Data Sources:	Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families.
Results:	A low level of awareness exists among Toronto's ethno-racial population concerning services available to the disabled population.
Relevant to:	Home support or community living.
Reports:	Report on the Ethnic Disabled Support Circle Project. Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources:	Canada Works Grant

ONTARIO MARCH OF DIMES - SURVEY INVESTIGATING THE IMPACT OF BILL 82

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	an Ontario-wide association
Principal Investigator:	Anne Musgrave, Ontario March of Dimes
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	12/85 - 10/86.
Objectives:	To assess specific areas of impact of the Education Act, Bill 82, on the teacher population.
Components:	Survey research. Outcome evaluation.
Data Sources:	Self-administered questionnaires for teachers.
Results:	Included in final report.
Relevant to:	Rehabilitation. Casework or counselling.
Reports:	Ontario March of Dimes - Survey Investigating the Impact of Bill 82. Report will be available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources:	Core budget only

ORGANIZATIONAL REVIEW OF THE SIX ASSOCIATIONS FOR THE MENTALLY RETARDED IN THE NIAGARA REGION

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a local association for the mentally retarded
Principal Investigator:	Tim Howe, Welland and District Association for Community Living
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	03/84 - 05/85.
Objectives:	To evaluate the current organizational strengths and weaknesses of the six AMRs in the Niagara Region. To examine options for organizational change or improvement with respect to service delivery.
Components:	Organizational research.
Data Sources:	Existing demographic data. Other program or agency records. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families.
Results:	The existing organizations can respond more effectively to the needs of each community separately rather than as one large organization.
Relevant to:	Rehabilitation. Day programming. Home support or community living.
Reports:	A Report Concerning the Proposed Regionalization of the Six Associations for the Retarded in Niagara. Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources:	Core budget only

PARA-TRANSIT GROUP

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a sheltered workshop
Principal Investigator:	Debra Pento
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 04/85 - 08/85.

Objectives: To determine the need for, and the feasibility of, a parallel transportation system for people with physical disabilities. To develop a proposal for this system.

Components: Survey research. Needs assessment. Descriptive program survey. Cost analysis.

Data Sources: Other program or agency records. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Telephone interviews with clients or families. Telephone interviews with MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families. Structured observation.

Results: The study identified the need for a parallel transit system in Red Lake.

Relevant to: Rehabilitation. Day programming. Home support or community living.

Reports: Proposal for the Establishment of a Specialized Transportation System for Persons with Physical Disabilities in the Township of Red Lake.

Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources: Canada Works Grant

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts		17,485	
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs		17,485	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 17,485
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 17,485

PARENT QUESTIONNAIRE: RESIDENTIAL SERVICES FOR ADULTS

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a local association for the mentally retarded
Principal Investigator:	Michael Libby, Community Living Mississauga
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	02/86 - 03/86.
Program Studied:	Community Living Mississauga's residential services for adults.
Objectives:	To evaluate adult residential services on the basis of a parent questionnaire. To determine whether parents agree with the fundamental goals of the service.
Components:	Descriptive program survey. Outcome evaluation.
Data Sources:	Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families.
Results:	Parents agree with the fundamental service goals. However, they are dissatisfied, in some situations, with communication and with their son's/daughter's personal appearance.
Relevant to:	Residential or group care.
Reports:	Parent Questionnaire: Residential Services for Adults. Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources:	Core budget only

PICA REDUCTION BY BRIEF POSITIVE PRACTICE: EDUCATIVE EFFECTS

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Dr. Maurice Feldman, Surrey Place Centre
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	04/84 - 08/86.
Objectives:	To evaluate the suppressive and educative effects of brief positive practice treatment of pica (ingestion of non-nutritive substances) in developmentally handicapped children and adults.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research.
Data Sources:	Client case records. Other program or agency records. Structured observation.
Results:	Brief positive practice effectively eliminates pica and results in the learning of new functional behaviours which are practiced as part of the positive practice routine.
Relevant to:	Treatment.
Reports:	Pica Reduction by Brief Positive Practice: Educative Effects. Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources: Surrey Place Centre

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts	12,400	4,700	
Core budget	3,000	3,000	2,000
Estimated Total Costs	15,400	7,700	2,000

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 23,100
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 25,100

PROFILE OF DEVELOPMENTALLY HANDICAPPED PERSONS (REGIONAL DATA BASE)

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Bryce Harper, Southwest Regional Office
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	02/84 - 07/86.
Program Studied:	Residential and Support Services for the Developmentally Handicapped.
Objectives:	To develop a data base as a foundation for service planning to facilitate: priorization of projects/services; equity in resource allocations; needs identification; proposal development; responding to enquiries; and documentation for policy development with the view to improving services for the developmentally handicapped.
Components:	Survey research. Needs assessment. Descriptive program survey.
Data Sources:	Client case records. Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff.
Results:	Included in final report.
Relevant to:	Day programming. Home support or community living. Residential or group care.
Reports:	Profile of Developmentally Handicapped Persons (Regional Data Base). Access to report is limited to MCSS and agencies involved.

FUNDING

Sources: Southwest Regional Office

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts			
Core budget		6,800	1,500
Estimated Total Costs		6,800	1,500

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 6,800
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 8,300

PROFILE OF THE DEVELOPMENTALLY HANDICAPPED IN TRI-COUNTY

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Bill Marcotte, Windsor Area Office
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	01/84 - 05/86.
Objectives:	To develop a total profile of the developmentally handicapped in Essex, Kent and Lambton counties.
Components:	Survey research.
Data Sources:	Client case records. Other program or agency records.
Results:	Included in final report.
Relevant to:	Day programming. Home support or community living. Residential or group care.
Reports:	Profile of the Developmentally Handicapped in Tri-county. Access to report is limited to agencies involved.

FUNDING

Sources: Windsor Area Office

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts		500	
Core budget	10,000	1,000	11,500
Estimated Total Costs	10,000	1,500	11,500

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 11,500
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 23,000

PROGRAM ANALYSIS OF SERVICES SYSTEMS IMPLEMENTATION OF NORMALIZATION GOALS (P.A.S.S.I.N.G.) ASSESSMENT OF ORWELL INDUSTRIES (TRAINING)

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a local association for the mentally retarded
Principal Investigator:	National Institute on Mental Retardation
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	03/85 - 08/85.
Study Type:	Evaluation of an ongoing program.
Program Studied:	Community Living Mississauga Vocational Services (Orwell Industries).
Objectives:	To assess delivery of Vocational Services using the principles of social role valorization.
Components:	Descriptive program survey. Evaluability assessment. Process evaluation. Outcome evaluation.
Data Sources:	Existing demographic data. Client case records. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families. Structured observation.
Results:	Included in final report.
Relevant to:	Rehabilitation. Day programming.
Reports:	Program Analysis of Services Systems Implementation Assessment of Normalization Goals (P.A.S.S.I.N.G.) Assessment of Orwell Industries (Training). Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources:	National Institute on Mental Retardation

A PROTOCOL FOR THE ASSESSMENT OF THE COMMUNICATIVE INTERACTION SKILLS OF NON-SPEAKING SEVERELY HANDICAPPED ADULTS AND THEIR FACILITATORS

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a local association for the mentally retarded
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	03/85 - 03/86.
Program Studied:	Developmental Services for Adults.
Objectives:	To develop an assessment and intervention tool for use with non-speaking severely and profoundly developmentally handicapped adults.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research.
Data Sources:	Client case records. Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff. Structured observation.
Results:	An assessment-intervention model for communicative interaction skills of non-speaking severely handicapped adults and their facilitators was developed. Demonstrated effectiveness of this tool requires additional research.
Relevant to:	Day programming. Residential or group care.
Reports:	A Protocol for the Assessment of the Communicative Interaction Skills of Non-speaking Severely Handicapped Adults and their Facilitators. Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources: Core budget only

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts			
Core budget	8,575		
Estimated Total Costs	8,575		

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 8,575
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 8,575

THE PSYCHOMETRIC VALIDITY AND CLINICAL USEFULNESS OF THE VINELAND ADAPTIVE BEHAVIOUR SCALE AND THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF MENTAL DEFICIENCIES (AAMD) ADAPTIVE BEHAVIOUR SCALE WITH AN AUTISTIC SAMPLE

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Adrienne Perry, Thistletown Regional Centre
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	09/85 - 01/86.
Program Studied:	Treatment, Research and Education for Autism and Developmental Disorders (TRE-ADD).
Objectives:	To assess the relationship between two reputable adaptive behaviour scales (Vineland and American Association of Mental Deficiencies) for fifteen autistic children based on parental reports.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research.
Data Sources:	Existing demographic data. Client case records. Additional psychometric tests.
Results:	Correlations of the aggregate scores were in the .7-.9 range for the two instruments. Correlations with C.A., M.A. and IQ resulted in low-moderate correlations (.2-.5) with the exception of specific domains involving language and arithmetic which are highly related (.7-.8 range).
Relevant to:	Prevention. Rehabilitation. Day programming.
Reports:	The Psychometric Validity and Clinical Usefulness of the Vineland Adaptive Behaviour Scale and the AAMD Adaptive Behaviour Scale with an Autistic Sample. Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources:	Thistletown Regional Centre

A REVIEW AND EVALUATION OF THE SERVICE NEEDS OF DEVELOPMENTALLY HANDICAPPED INDIVIDUALS WITH SEVERE BEHAVIOUR PROBLEMS FROM THE WATERLOO AREA

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

Principal Investigator: Rand McIntyre, Waterloo Area Office

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 12/85 - 07/86.

Objectives: To review the service needs of developmentally handicapped persons with severe behaviour problems in the Waterloo Area. To identify appropriate service options to meet the needs of this target population.

Components: Needs assessment.

Data Sources: Existing demographic data. Other program or agency records. Telephone interviews with MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff.

Results: The study has identified the need for small, specialized behavioural group homes for both children and adults, and also for a specialized day program for a number of the adults identified during the review.

Relevant to: Day programming. Residential or group care.

Reports: A Review and Evaluation of the Service Needs of Developmentally Handicapped Individuals with Severe Behaviour Problems from the Waterloo Area.

Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: Waterloo Area Office

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts			
Core budget		1,000	500
Estimated Total Costs		1,000	500

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 1,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 1,500

REVIEW OF COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES FOR DEVELOPMENTALLY HANDICAPPED INDIVIDUALS AND THEIR FAMILIES IN THE WATERLOO AREA

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

Principal Investigator: Barbara Stanton, Queen's University

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 01/86 - 05/86.

Program Studied: Community support services for developmentally handicapped in the Waterloo area.

Objectives: To identify gaps in services for the developmentally handicapped by examining the following areas: program delivery; service co-ordination; finance and administration; and alternative models of service. To develop a plan for implementing the findings of the study.

Components: Survey research.

Data Sources: Existing demographic data. Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff.

Results: Included in final report.

Relevant to: Home support or community living.

Reports: Review of Community Support Services for Developmentally Handicapped Individuals and their Families in the Waterloo Area.

Access to report is limited to MCSS and agencies involved.

FUNDING

Sources: Southwest Regional Office

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts		9,000	9,000
Core budget			24,850
Estimated Total Costs		9,000	33,850

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 9,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 42,850

THE SANFILIPPO SYNDROME (SS): IMPROVEMENTS IN DIAGNOSIS AND PREVENTION - MORPHOLOGICAL ASPECTS

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Dr. M. Daria Haust, C.P.R.I.
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 04/82 - 12/89.

Objectives: To develop and delineate morphological methods (with or without conjunction of other means e.g., biochemical) allowing for the early identification of homozygotes with the Sanfilippo syndrome in the population at large. To test whether neterozygosity may be expressed by a set of ultrastructural changes of organs or peripheral white blood counts.

Components: Clinical research. Laboratory research.

Data Sources: Existing demographic data. Client case records. Other program or agency records. Laboratory tests. Telephone interviews with clients or families. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families.

Results: Included in reports.

Relevant to: Prevention. Treatment. Casework or counselling.

Reports: Clinocopathological Conference: An Adolescent Girl with Severe Mental Impairment and Mucopolysacchariduria. Ultrastructural and Biochemical Aspects of the Sanfilippo Syndrome, Type III Genetic Mucopolysaccharidosis.

Reports are available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources: C.P.R.I.; MCSS lottery funds

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts	13,148		
Core budget	5,000	6,000	6,000
Estimated Total Costs	18,148	6,000	6,000

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 24,148
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 30,148

SENSORY STIMULATION AND SELF-INJURIOUS BEHAVIOUR IN THE MENTALLY RETARDED: A CASE STUDY

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Charles Meister, Southwestern Regional Centre
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 05/85 - 07/85.

Objectives: To compare the effectiveness of sensory stimulation and differential reinforcement procedures in a profoundly developmentally handicapped client who self-injures for apparently various motivations.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research.

Data Sources: Existing demographic data. Client case records. Additional psychometric tests. Structured observation.

Results: The various techniques used did lead to reductions in self-injury, and could serve as evidence for a mixed-motivation model for the treatment of self-injurious behaviour.

Relevant to: Prevention. Treatment.

Reports: Sensory Stimulation and Self-injurious Behaviour in the Mentally Retarded: A Case Study.

Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: Southwestern Regional Centre

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts			
Core budget		500	
Estimated Total Costs		500	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 500
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 500

SEXUALITY EDUCATION PROGRAM FOR THE METROPOLITAN TORONTO ASSOCIATION FOR THE MENTALLY RETARDED GROUP HOMES

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Wai-Yung Lee, Surrey Place Centre
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	09/85 - 10/86.
Study Type:	Evaluation of a demonstration or pilot project.
Program Studied:	Sexuality Education Program.
Objectives:	To develop a staff training model for MTAMR group homes. To evaluate the effectiveness of the pilot project before applying for a second phase study.
Components:	Evaluability assessment.
Data Sources:	Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff.
Results:	Caretakers usually have a simplistic approach to sexuality issues relating to clients. Staff training should focus on more than "sexual information". There is a need to distinguish between "sex education" and "sexuality".
Relevant to:	Residential or group care. Casework or counselling.
Reports:	Sexuality Education Program for Metropolitan Toronto Association for the Mentally Retarded Group Homes. Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Research and Program Evaluation Unit; Surrey Place Centre

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts		10,000	
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs		10,000	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 10,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 10,000

SOCIAL SKILL TRAINING WITH MULTI-HANDICAPPED YOUTHS

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Dr. David Factor, Thistletown Regional Centre
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	01/85 - 06/85.
Program Studied:	Treatment, Research and Education for Autism and Developmental Disorders (TRE-ADD).
Objectives:	To review the literature on social skill training and its applicability to developmentally disturbed adolescents.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research.
Data Sources:	Secondary data.
Results:	The study identified the following issues for consideration: (1) who are the appropriate targets for this kind of training and how can they be identified; (2) which social skills should be taught; and (3) how should the skills be taught (i.e., the role of shaping and instruction).
Relevant to:	Prevention. Treatment. Home support or community living.
Reports:	Social Skill Training with Multi-handicapped Youths. Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources:	Thistletown Regional Centre

SOME PROBLEMS OF FRAGILE X SYNDROME

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a mental retardation facility
Principal Investigator:	Dr. D. Soudek, Kingson Psychiatric Hospital
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 04/85 - ongoing.

Objectives: To increase the frequency of Fragile X chromosomes in cases of very low frequency, which makes the cytogenetic diagnosis unreliable.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature. Laboratory research.

Data Sources: Laboratory tests.

Results: During the term of this report, 128 developmentally handicapped patients have been chromosomally examined. Sixty-eight of them were suspected of having Fragile X syndrome. Of these, seventeen showed positive for Fragile X chromosome. Several different fixing methods were tried, however, none of them increased the frequency of Fragile X. It would appear that a genetic factor which controls the expression of Fragile X exists.

Relevant to: Prevention.

Reports: Fragile X: A Symptom of the Disease? Decrease of Fragile X Frequency in Stored Blood Samples: Individual Variability, submitted for publication.

Access to reports will be limited to the professional community.

FUNDING

Sources: Core budget only

A SURVEY OF HOUSING AND ATTENDANT CARE NEEDS FOR THE PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a municipal social services department
Principal Investigator:	Tom Brenner, Waterloo Region Social Resources Council
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	01/84 - 04/85.
Objectives:	To identify outstanding housing and attendant care needs for physically handicapped adults. To establish priorities for the expansion of attendant care programs.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Survey research.
Data Sources:	Client case records. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff.
Results:	Included in final report.
Relevant to:	Home support or community living. Residential or group care.
Reports:	A Survey of Housing and Attendant Care Needs for the Physically Handicapped. Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources:	Core budget only

SYSTEMHOUSE WORKPLACE TECHNOLOGY PROJECT: EVALUATION

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Dr. Milada Disman, University of Toronto
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 08/85 - 06/86.

Objectives: To assess the work performance and experiences of a quadriplegic man who is trained to use the Voice Recognition System for computer programming. To determine the success in using voice recognition technology in conjunction with a personal computer in fulfilling the employment requirements of a junior computer programmer.

Components: Technology assessment.

Data Sources: Face-to-face interviews with clients or families. Structured observation.

Results: Included in final report.

Relevant to: Rehabilitation.

Reports: Systemhouse Workplace Technology Project: Evaluation.

Availability of reports will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS purchase of service contract: Applied Program Technology Unit

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts		7,240	1,400
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs		7,240	1,400

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 7,240
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 8,640

TECHNOLOGY-BASED INSTRUCTION WITH THE DEVELOPMENTALLY HANDICAPPED

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Dr. William Barnes, Rideau Regional Centre
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	04/83 - ongoing.
Study Type:	Evaluation of an ongoing program.
Program Studied:	Technology-based instruction.
Objectives:	To evaluate the effectiveness of computer-assisted and other automated teaching devices.
Components:	Clinical research. Evaluability assessment.
Data Sources:	Structured observation. Automated performance.
Results:	Technology-based instruction is an effective training modality, provided suitable teaching programs and interface devices are available.
Relevant to:	Rehabilitation. Day programming. Treatment.
Reports:	Technology-based Instruction with the Developmentally Handicapped. Access to report is limited to MCSS and the professional community.

FUNDING

Sources:	Rideau Regional Centre

TORONTO ATTENDANT CARE NEEDS ASSESSMENT

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	an Ontario-wide association
Principal Investigator:	Mary-Lynn Hobbs, Ontario March of Dimes
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	03/86 - 08/86.
Objectives:	To assess the level of attendant care needs as yet unmet by attendant care services.
Components:	Survey research. Needs assessment.
Data Sources:	Existing demographic data. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families.
Results:	To be included in final report.
Relevant to:	Home support or community living.
Reports:	Toronto Attendant Care Needs Assessment. Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources:	Core budget only

TOURETTE'S DISORDER IN DOWN'S SYNDROME

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

Principal Investigator: Dr. H. Karlinsky and Dr. J.M. Berg, Surrey Place Centre

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 00/85 - 02/86.

Objectives: To clarify the possible relationship between Tourette's disorder and Down's syndrome.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research. Laboratory research. Survey research.

Data Sources: Existing demographic data. Client case records. Additional psychometric tests. Laboratory tests. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families.

Results: The study identified a possible significant relationship between the syndromes.

Relevant to: Prevention. Rehabilitation.

Reports: Gilles de la Tourette's Syndrome in Down's Syndrome.

Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources: Surrey Place Centre

TREATMENT OF HEAVY METAL TOXICITY: RELATIVE MERITS OF CONVENTIONAL AND NEW CHELATING AGENTS

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	00/70 - ongoing.
Objectives:	To broaden and refine the armamentarium for therapeutic intervention in heavy metal toxicity.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research. Laboratory research. Process evaluation. Outcome evaluation.
Data Sources:	Client case records. Laboratory tests. Telephone interviews with clients or families. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families. Structured observation.
Results:	A novel short-term mode of combined Dimercaprol (BAL) and Calcium Disodium Versenate (EDTA) administration will not harm the kidney while still permitting effective therapeutic lead (Pb) removal. In two lead-poisoned brothers, EDTA administration helped to gain insight into factors accounting for differential susceptibility to lead (Pb). Administration of BAL to a case of chronic arsenicism and superimposed seasonal As exposure reversed hitherto unappreciated As-induced disturbances in the biosynthesis of haem.
Relevant to:	Rehabilitation. Treatment.
Reports:	Occupational Lead Exposure: Studies in Two Brothers Showing Differential Susceptibility to Lead. Short-term Administration of Dimercaptopropanol (Bal) and Calcium Disodium Edetate (EFTA) for Diagnostic and Therapeutic Lead Mobilization. Reports are available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources:	C.P.R.I.

THE TRE-ADD AUTISM QUIZ: THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN AUTISM QUIZ FOR PARENTS AND PROFESSIONALS

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 04/83 - ongoing.

Program Studied: Treatment, Research and Education for Autism and Developmental Disorders (TRE-ADD).

Objectives: To develop a screening and evaluative instrument to assess a person's knowledge of autism.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research. Survey research. Needs assessment. Outcome evaluation.

Data Sources: Additional psychometric tests. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families.

Results: Staff who work with autistic children have a significantly better knowledge of autism than staff who do not. Parents who have autistic children also score significantly higher on the quiz than parents of non-handicapped children.

Relevant to: Prevention. Treatment. Home support or community living.

Reports: The TRE-ADD Autism Quiz: The Development of an Autism Quiz for Parents and Professionals.

Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: Thistletown Regional Centre

ULTRASTRUCTURAL STUDIES OF CULTURED DERMAL FIBROBLASTS AND WHITE BLOOD COUNT (WBC) IN DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT OF HYPERORNITHINEMIA, HYPERAMMONEMIA AND HOMOCITRULLINURIA (HHH) SYNDROME

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 04/81 - 03/89.

Objectives: To test whether the ultrastructural changes observed in one patient's peripheral white blood count (WBC) prior to and following treatment apply in general to HHH syndrome. To test whether characteristic mitochondrial changes observed in dermal fibroblasts (in culture) of one patient occur also in other patients with the HHH syndrome, and whether these changes affect heterozygotes.

Components: Clinical research. Laboratory research.

Data Sources: Existing demographic data. Client case records. Laboratory tests. Telephone interviews with clients or families. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families.

Results: To be included in final reports.

Relevant to: Prevention. Treatment. Casework or counselling.

Reports: Possible Pathogenic Mechanism in HHH Syndrome Birth Defects. Ultrastructure of Mitochondria in Cultured Fibroblasts from Skin of Patients with the HHH Syndrome, to be submitted for publication.

Reports will be available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources: C.P.R.I.; University of Western Ontario: Investigator's Research (Trust) Fund

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts	3,000	5,000	2,000
Core budget	2,000	2,000	5,000
Estimated Total Costs	5,000	7,000	7,000

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 12,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 19,000

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ACUITY RATING STUDY OF THE REGION'S HOMES FOR THE AGED

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a municipal social services department
Principal Investigator:	Karen McNeil
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	09/85 - 12/85.
Objectives:	To document the present levels of care being provided to the residents of the three homes for senior citizens in Peel Region.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Needs assessment. Organizational research. Descriptive program survey. Evaluability assessment.
Data Sources:	Client case records. Other program or agency records. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff.
Results:	The level of care is extensive and appears to be increasing gradually over the years. This is in balance with the increased extended-care bed allocation in 1985.
Relevant to:	Residential or group care.
Reports:	Acuity Rating Study of the Region's Homes for the Aged. Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources:	Core budget only

ACUITY RATING SYSTEM

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	an Ontario-wide association
Principal Investigator:	Robert J. Riordan and Dr. Gail Frankel, University of Western Ontario
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	07/84 - 07/86.
Objectives:	To determine the level of inter-rater reliability of the instrument; the level of discriminant validity of the instrument; and the level of criterion validity of the Acuity Rating System.
Components:	Instrument validation.
Data Sources:	Client case records. Other program or agency records. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff.
Results:	The reliability and validity are strong and dependable when administered correctly.
Relevant to:	Residential or group care.
Reports:	Acuity Rating System. Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS purchase of service contract: Operations Division

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts	47,675	19,266	
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs	47,675	19,266	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 66,941
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 66,941

ALUMINUM CHELATION IN ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Dr. D. R. McLachlan, University of Toronto; and Dr. A. J. Dalton, Dr. T.P.A. Kruck, Dr. W. Kalow and Dr. D. F. Andrews, Surrey Place Centre
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	04/85 - 10/87.
Objectives:	To evaluate the therapeutic benefits of the drug desferioxamine in slowing the progression of Alzheimer's disease in affected patients residing at home.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research. Laboratory research.
Data Sources:	Existing demographic data. Client case records. Other program or agency records. Additional psychometric tests. Laboratory tests. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Telephone interviews with clients or families. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families. Structured observation.
Results:	To be included in final report.
Relevant to:	Prevention. Treatment.
Reports:	Aluminum Chelation in Alzheimer's Disease. Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: Ontario Mental Health Foundation

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts	25,000	38,000	42,000
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs	25,000	38,000	42,000

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 63,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 105,000

AN ANALYSIS OF THE SENIOR DAY PROGRAM

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: a municipal social services department

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 09/85 - 12/85.

Program Studied: Senior Day Programs.

Objectives: To identify existing gaps in Senior Day Programs in Peel. To determine the present level of service and growth projections.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature.

Data Sources: Existing demographic data. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families.

Results: The present model is meeting the community needs, however a gap exists in specialized programs. Lack of adequate transportation is the major problem for the programs.

Relevant to: Day programming. Residential or group care.

Reports: An Analysis of the Senior Day Program.

Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: Core budget only

APPLICANTS TO AN OTTAWA-CARLETON REGIONAL HOME FOR THE AGED: THEIR CHARACTERISTICS AND REASONS FOR APPLYING

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: a home for the aged

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 09/85 - 03/86.

Objectives: To examine the characteristics and reasons of a group of elderly applicants awaiting long-term care for applying to a Home for the Aged in Ottawa-Carleton.

Components: Needs assessment. Descriptive program survey.

Data Sources: Existing demographic data. Client case records. Telephone interviews with clients or families.

Results: The findings indicate that persons at a higher risk of being institutionalized are: female; 79 years and older; widowed; living alone or in another care facility due to an inability to live alone while waiting; eligible for extended care; mentally impaired or have decreased ability to manage activities of daily living. These individuals tend to have frequent contact with relatives.

Relevant to: Day programming. Home support or community living.

Reports: Applicants to an Ottawa-Carleton Regional Home for the Aged: Their Characteristics and Reasons for Applying.

Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources: Core budget only

ASSESSMENT PROTOCOL FOR THE ELDERLY: LITERATURE REVIEW

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 10/85 - 04/86.

Objectives: To conduct a critical review of instruments that assess: the functional ability of older persons; their experience, satisfaction, or acceptance of technical aids or assistive devices; and the home environments of older persons with respect to structural barriers. To document the conceptual and methodological merits and shortcomings of existing assessment instruments. To recommend the adoption, modification or development of an assessment tool; and provide guidelines if modification is required.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature.

Data Sources: Existing instruments.

Results: Few environmental assessment instruments and none that are standardized assess attitudes or experiences with aids and/or assistive devices. Although a large number of tools are designed to assess functional ability, none are appropriate for measuring the amenability of technological solutions for functional disabilities.

Relevant to: Home support or community living.

Reports: A Review of Functional Ability and Home Environment Assessment Protocols. Annotated Bibliography of Functional Ability and Home Environment Assessment Protocols.

Access to reports is limited to MCSS.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS purchase of service contract: Applied Program Technology Unit

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts		19,890	
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs		19,890	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 19,890
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 19,890

DAWSON COURT HOME FOR THE AGED: UPPER DECK/BREAKFAST SERVICE STUDY

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a home for the aged
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	01/86 - 04/86.
Program Studied:	Upper Deck/Breakfast Service.
Objectives:	To assess residents' needs and expectations with respect to proposed changes in a dining area of the Home. To assess the broad ramifications of the proposed change from trays in the room to restaurant service in the dining room for breakfast.
Components:	Organizational research. Descriptive program survey.
Data Sources:	Face-to-face interviews with clients or families. Structured observation.
Results:	The proposed changes in breakfast food service would provide more opportunities for residents to exercise greater independence. It is recommended that a hot food cart be used to serve a combination breakfast service in the Upper Deck or the residents' choice of food from the cart on a tray. There should be an intensive preparation of the staff and residents prior to instituting any change, and changes should be made on a "pilot project" basis for 4-6 months. Evaluations should be made to monitor the impact of the changes on staff and residents.
Relevant to:	Residential or group care.
Reports:	Dawson Court Home for the Aged: Upper Deck/Breakfast Service Study. Access to report is limited to MCSS and agencies involved.

FUNDING

Sources:	Core budget only

FEASIBILITY STUDY: EASTHOLME HOME FOR THE AGED

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a home for the aged
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 07/85 - 11/85.

Objectives: To identify the needs of the elderly and to assess the existing services of a Home for the Aged in the East Parry Sound area.

Components: Needs assessment. Cost analysis.

Data Sources: Existing demographic data. Client case records. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff. Structured observation.

Results: The study identified the need to improve the services of Eastholme (e.g., convert four-bed wards to single and semi-private accommodation). There is also a need to expand accommodation to offer a wider range of improved services and programs.

Relevant to: Day programming. Home support or community living. Residential or group care.

Reports: Feasibility Study: Eastholme Home for the Aged.

Access to report is limited to MCSS and agencies involved.

FUNDING

Sources: Core budget only

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts			
Core budget		6,000	
Estimated Total Costs		6,000	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 6,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 6,000

GUAM FIELD EXPEDITION: ALUMINUM AS A PATHOGENIC FACTOR IN ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AND AMYOTROPHIC LATERAL SCLEROSIS

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 05/85 - 05/85.

Objectives: To assess the feasibility of undertaking a therapeutic drug trial with desferioxamine with patients in Guam suffering from Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) and Guam Parkinson-dementia associated with aluminum-induced neurofibrillary degeneration. To collect soil, food, water and vegetation samples for atomic absorption analysis of trace metals, aluminum in particular.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research. Laboratory research. Outcome evaluation.

Data Sources: Client case records. Other program or agency records. Additional psychometric tests. Laboratory tests. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Telephone interviews with clients or families. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families. Structured observation.

Results: Included in final report.

Relevant to: Treatment.

Reports: Guam Field Expedition: Aluminum as a Pathogenic Factor in Alzheimer's Disease and Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis.

Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: Ministry of Health; National Health Research Development Program; Ciba-Geigy Ltd.; Toronto General Hospital; University of Toronto

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts Core budget	382,000	400,000	400,000
Estimated Total Costs	382,000	400,000	400,000

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 782,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 1,182,000

PARISH RESPONSE TO THE NEEDS OF OLDER ADULTS

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	an Ontario-wide association
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	08/85 - 10/86.
Objectives:	To assess the spiritual, physical and psycho-social needs of older adults. To identify existing services and programs for older adults available within specific parishes and the wider Catholic community. To identify individuals, structures and groups within the target area who are prepared to assist older persons in meeting their needs. To design a program that will meet the needs identified in the assessment.
Components:	Needs assessment. Resources inventory.
Data Sources:	Face-to-face interviews with clients or families.
Results:	To be included in final report.
Relevant to:	Home support or community living.
Reports:	Parish Response to the Needs of Older Adults. Report is planned for November, 1986. Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Research and Program Evaluation Unit

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts		42,000	24,000
Core budget		500	1,000
Estimated Total Costs		42,500	25,000

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 42,500
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 67,500

THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF YORK HOMES FOR THE AGED: CAPITAL EXPANSION AND NEW PROGRAM PROPOSAL

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a municipal social services department
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	03/85 - 03/86.
Objectives:	To profile planned changes for the homes for the aged in York Region and the cost of these changes. To identify future services for seniors in the Regional Municipality of York.
Components:	Needs assessment. Cost analysis. Descriptive program survey.
Data Sources:	Existing demographic data.
Results:	Included in final report.
Relevant to:	Day programming. Home support or community living. Residential or group care.
Reports:	The Regional Municipality of York Homes for the Aged: Capital Expansion and New Program Proposal. Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources:	Core budget only

RISK FACTORS IN ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Dr. M.E. Percy and Dr. D.R. McLachlan, University of Toronto; and Dr. A.J. Dalton and Dr. V.D. Markovic, Surrey Place Centre

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	04/85 - 04/87.
Objectives:	To assess the possible biological markers for susceptibility differences to dementia of Alzheimer's type among living patients with Down's syndrome from an analysis of oxygen metabolizing enzymes and high resolution chromosome banding.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research. Laboratory research. Geological trace metals assay.
Data Sources:	Existing demographic data. Client case records. Other program or agency records. Additional psychometric tests. Laboratory tests. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families. Structured observation.
Results:	Aluminum is found to be elevated in various daily foods ingested by native Guamanians suffering from Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis and Parkinson-dementia but it is low in water compared to Toronto drinking water.
Relevant to:	Treatment.
Reports:	Risk Factors in Alzheimer's Disease. Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Society of Canada; Ciba-Geigy Ltd.

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts		13,000	
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs		13,000	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 13,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 13,000

SENIOR CITIZENS SERVICES AND FACILITIES SURVEY IN COCHRANE

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a home for the aged
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	07/85 - 09/85.
Objectives:	To identify the primary and secondary needs of seniors in the Town of Cochrane.
Components:	Needs assessment.
Data Sources:	Face-to-face interviews with clients or families.
Results:	The study identified the need to increase home support programs in Cochrane, such as a transportation program and Meals on Wheels, and the need for a central Coordinator for the town.
Relevant to:	Home support or community living.
Reports:	Senior Citizens Services and Facilities Survey in Cochrane. Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources: Experience '85 Grant

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts		2,368	
Core budget		1,190	
Estimated Total Costs		3,558	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 3,558
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 3,558

A SENIOR COMMUNITY CARE PROGRAM FOR THE REGION OF PEEL

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: a municipal social services department

Principal Investigator: Mary Jackson

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 01/86 - 04/86.

Program Studied: Senior Community Care Program.

Objectives: To consider the feasibility of various alternatives to institutional living for seniors in need of support.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature. Survey research.

Data Sources: Other program or agency records.

Results: There are various alternatives to institutional living which can increase the degree of choice for services to the elderly.

Relevant to: Residential or group care.

Reports: A Senior Community Care Program for the Region of Peel.

Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: Core budget only

THE SOCIETE ALZHEIMER SOCIETY OF OTTAWA-HULL DAY AWAY/HOME ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS EVALUATION

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 07/85 - 12/85.

Study Type: Evaluation of a demonstration or pilot project.

Program Studied: Day Away/Home Assistance Programs.

Objectives: To determine whether the model of service provides both appropriate and sufficient support services to individuals with Alzheimer's disease and their caregivers. To determine if the model could be replicated in other areas requiring similar services.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature. Survey research. Descriptive program survey. Cost-effectiveness or cost-benefit analysis. Process evaluation. Outcome evaluation.

Data Sources: Client case records. Other program or agency records. Additional psychometric tests. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families. Structured observation.

Results: Caregivers and community agencies express a high level of satisfaction with the program. Outcome measures at six months' follow-up show a significant increase in the dementia of clients, but no significant increase in the 'family burden' index for the same period.

Relevant to: Day programming. Home support or community living.

Reports: The Societe Alzheimer Society of Ottawa-Hull Day Away/Home Assistance Programs Evaluation. History and Program Descriptions. Final Report. Executive Summary.

Reports are available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS purchase of service contract: Research and Program Evaluation Unit

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts		32,448	
Core budget		3,500	
Estimated Total Costs		35,948	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 35,948
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 35,948

	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Operational costs of the demonstration/pilot project:	62,227	205,494	

Sources of operational funds: MCSS: Research and Demonstration Grant; Clients in Program; Societe Alzheimer Society of Ottawa-Hull; Ministry of Health

A SURVEY OF THE ELDERLY IN THE WATERLOO REGION

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	09/82 - 09/85.
Objectives:	To develop profiles of the rural and urban elderly in the Region of Waterloo, particularly with respect to financial resources, housing, health, social supports and relationships. To assess the appropriateness of their accommodation and support arrangements. To examine their residential mobility. To compare findings with those of other studies.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Survey research. Needs assessment.
Data Sources:	Existing demographic data. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families.
Results:	Included in final report.
Relevant to:	Home support or community living.
Reports:	A Survey of the Elderly in the Waterloo Region. Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Research and Program Evaluation Unit

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts	73,970		
Core budget	8,800	500	
Estimated Total Costs	82,770	500	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 83,270
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 83,270

TECHNICAL APPLICATION TO PROMOTE INDEPENDENT LIVING FOR THE ELDERLY

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: MCSS

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 02/85 - 02/86.

Objectives: To assess the functional ability of elderly persons. To determine the potential aids in fostering the independence and safety of elderly persons residing in the community.

Components: Review of research and program evaluation literature. Clinical research. Laboratory research. Survey research. Needs assessment. Cost-effectiveness or cost-benefit analysis.

Data Sources: Existing demographic data. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families. Structured observation.

Results: A potential for increasing independence by the addition of technology was determined in 10.7 percent (n=38) of the study's population. For six percent (n=20) of the study's population, technology had the potential to reduce, although not necessarily replace, aids.

Relevant to: Home support or community living.

Reports: A Study of Technological Applications to Promote Independent Living for the Elderly.

Access to report is limited to MCSS.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Research and Program Evaluation Unit

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts	26,658	19,816	
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs	26,658	19,816	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 46,474
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 46,474

TRUE DAVIDSON ACRES: COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAM EVALUATION

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a municipal social services department
Principal Investigator:	Community Advisory Committee
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	10/85 - 05/86.
Study Type:	Evaluation of a demonstration or pilot project.
Program Studied:	Community Outreach Program.
Objectives:	To assess the impact of the program on applicants for admission to the home for the aged, on community service agencies, and on the length of the waiting list for admission. To determine if the program should become an ongoing home program, and if it should be expanded to other Metropolitan Toronto Homes for the Aged.
Components:	Survey research. Process evaluation. Outcome evaluation.
Data Sources:	Client case records. Telephone interviews with clients or families. Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families.
Results:	Most community agencies are not affected by the program, but most are supportive. The program's volunteers and home social work staff perceive the program as effective in preventing inappropriate processing of admission applications. Most applicants and their families indicated that the program is beneficial. The numbers were too few to make an authoritative statement about the impact on the waiting list.
Relevant to:	Home support or community living.
Reports:	True Davidson Acres: Community Outreach Program Evaluation. Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: Municipality of Metropolitan Toronto

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Operational costs of the demonstration/pilot project:		60,000	

Sources of operational funds: Municipality of Metropolitan Toronto Community Services; MCSS: Toronto Area Office

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RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a municipal social services department
Principal Investigator:	Donna Reingold, Regional Municipality of Ottawa-Carleton
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	04/85 - 05/85.
Program Studied:	Alternative Learning Styles and Outlooks (A.L.S.O.).
Objectives:	To develop a profile of the A.L.S.O. program, its clients, and related statistical information.
Components:	Descriptive program survey.
Data Sources:	Existing demographic data. Other program or agency records. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families. Structured observation.
Results:	A.L.S.O. has performed a number of significant activities towards achieving its goals of providing: an alternative learning centre; community outreach; advocacy; resource development; and program development.
Relevant to:	Casework or counselling.
Reports:	Alternative Learning Styles and Outlooks (A.L.S.O.): A Program Review. Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources:	Core budget only

CENTRAL REGION FRENCH LANGUAGE SERVICES SURVEY

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 12/85 - 06/86.

Objectives: To determine current and potential demand from the Francophone population of Central Region. To identify, by area, the program resources available to Francophone clients. To assess service providers' capability and readiness to provide French language services. To estimate the cost impact of meeting French Language Services obligations. To identify priorities for future service development.

Components: Survey research. Needs assessment. Resources inventory. Organizational research. Descriptive program survey.

Data Sources: Existing demographic data. Other program or agency records. Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff. Telephone interviews with MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff.

Results: The under-representation of Francophone clients in MCSS-operated programs and funded agency services (10.1 per cent of agencies responding) indicates the need for French Language Services. There is currently minimal delivery capability in the French language either in MCSS or its transfer payment programs.

Reports: Central Region French Language Services Survey.

Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: Central Regional Office

Costs (in dollars)	Prior Year(s)	Fiscal 85/86	86/87 & Beyond
Grants/contracts		10,000	
Core budget		3,750	
Estimated Total Costs		13,750	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 13,750
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 13,750

EVALUATION OF THE ROLE OF SOCIAL PLANNING ORGANIZATIONS

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a municipal social services department
Principal Investigator:	Jim Mackay, Mackay and Associates
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	02/85 - 02/86.
Study Type:	Evaluation of an ongoing program.
Program Studied:	Non-profit, social planning and inter-agency organizations.
Objectives:	To determine: i) What are the mandates of the organizations? How are they different? What alternatives are there? ii) Who are the constituents of the organizations? Are there any distinctions? Are the constituents consistent with the mandate? iii) How are program priorities established? How are the programs provided by the organizations distinct? Are the programs consistent with the mandates? Are they effectively reaching their constituents? Are they adequate? Are they duplicated? What program alternatives exist? (iv) Are the mandates and programming of the organizations relevant and appropriate from a Metropolitan perspective? What would be an appropriate role for the Metropolitan Corporation with respect to the three different types of groups?
Components:	Organizational research. Descriptive program survey. Outcome evaluation.
Data Sources:	Other program or agency records. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families.
Results:	Included in final report.
Reports:	Assessment of the Roles of Social Planning Agencies in Metropolitan Toronto. Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources: Core budget only

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts			
Core budget		20,000	
Estimated Total Costs		20,000	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 20,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 20,000

NEEDS STUDY OF URBAN NATIVE CLIENTS IN NORTHWESTERN ONTARIO

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
Principal Investigator:	Dr. Connie Nelson, Lakehead University and The Canadian Research and Consulting Company
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	01/86 - 03/86.
Objectives:	To provide a socio-demographic analysis that will enable government and voluntary organizations to match more adequately their scarce resources to the needs of native clients in the urban areas of northwestern Ontario.
Components:	Review of research and program evaluation literature. Survey research. Needs assessment. Descriptive program survey.
Data Sources:	Existing demographic data. Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Telephone interviews with clients or families. Face-to-face interviews with clients or families.
Results:	Included in final report.
Relevant to:	Prevention. Home support or community living. Casework or counselling.
Reports:	Needs Study of Urban Native Clients in Northwestern Ontario. Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources: MCSS transfer payment grant: Thunder Bay Area Office

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts		21,000	
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs		21,000	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 21,000
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 21,000

ONTARIO ASSOCIATION OF CHILDREN'S AID SOCIETIES LABOUR RELATIONS PROJECT

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study: an Ontario-wide association

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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration: 04/85 - 10/85.

Program Studied: Children's Aid Societies.

Objectives: To identify ways and means of improving labour relations between CASs and their staffs.

Components: Needs assessment.

Data Sources: Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff.

Results: The OACAS should take a leadership role and all reasonable steps to enhance the process of local negotiations and contract administration for CASs, specifically through the provision of an effective information-sharing system and increased training in the labour relations area. CASs not already embracing a participatory management style should embark on a program intended for this purpose. The OACAS should provide, preferably in conjunction with MCSS, an ongoing vehicle for the sharing of current information on recent settlements, employment practices, arbitration awards, and changes in legislation. A follow-up survey of training needs as well as available courses, in-house and external skills should be undertaken. The OACAS should participate in discussions with the ministry and other associations to explore the creation of a cost-effective process of information-sharing and training in labour relations. It is also recommended that agencies should continue to use outside assistance for negotiations and contract administration as long as is necessary.

Relevant to: Prevention. Treatment. Casework or counselling.

Reports: Ontario Association of Children's Aid Societies Labour Relations Project.

Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources: Core budget only

PROGRAM EVALUATION SYSTEM - VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION PROGRAMS

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a sheltered workshop
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	04/85 - 03/86.
Study Type:	Evaluation of an ongoing program.
Program Studied:	Work Development Program, WAT Program, Vocational Evaluation, Situational Assessment Work Adjustment/Skill Training and Job Placement, Subprograms.
Objectives:	To evaluate programs and subprograms against established objectives and cost efficiency measures.
Components:	Needs assessment. Organizational research. Descriptive program survey. Cost-effectiveness or cost-benefit analysis. Outcome evaluation.
Data Sources:	Other program or agency records.
Results:	Included in final report.
Relevant to:	Rehabilitation.
Reports:	Reports to Management - Quarterly/Annual. Access to reports is limited to agencies involved.

FUNDING

Sources:	Core budget only

RESEARCH INTO THE NEED FOR SUBSIDIZED HOUSING IN LENNOX AND ADDINGTON COUNTY

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a children's aid society
Principal Investigator:	Judy Lux, Family and Children's Services of Lennox and Addington County
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	02/86 - 03/86.
Objectives:	To assess the need for subsidized housing in Lennox and Addington County.
Components:	Survey research. Needs assessment. Resources inventory.
Data Sources:	Existing demographic data. Other program or agency records. Telephone interviews with MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff.
Results:	The study identifies the need for a target update survey by the Ministry of Housing regarding the need for family housing projects. There is also a need for family housing units in the form of town house developments, and a blend of both subsidized and market rental units.
Relevant to:	Prevention. Home support or community living.
Reports:	Research into the Need for Subsidized Housing in Lennox and Addington County. Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

Sources:	Core budget only

VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION SERVICES (VRS) OUTCOME STUDY

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	MCSS
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	06/85 - 12/85.
Study Type:	Evaluation of an ongoing program.
Program Studied:	Vocational Rehabilitation Services (VRS).
Objectives:	To assess the outcome of VRS one year after case closure.
Components:	Outcome evaluation.
Data Sources:	Client case records. Other program or agency records. Telephone interviews with clients or families.
Results:	The majority of VRS clients whose cases were closed successfully remain successful one year later. There is a strong positive relationship between success and the dollars expended by VRS.
Relevant to:	Rehabilitation. Home support or community living. Casework or counselling.
Reports:	Vocational Rehabilitation Services (VRS) Outcome Study. Report is available upon request.

FUNDING

Sources: Experience '85 Grant

Costs (in dollars)	**Prior Year(s)**	**Fiscal 85/86**	**86/87 & Beyond**
Grants/contracts		700	
Core budget			
Estimated Total Costs		700	

Total Study Cost to 31/03/86: 700
Total Anticipated Study Cost: 700

VOLUNTEER PROFILE STUDY

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	a children's mental health centre
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	08/85 - 02/86.
Program Studied:	Dellcrest Volunteer Program.
Objectives:	To summarize the socio-demographic data of Dellcrest volunteers over a three-year period. To identify the profile of the "typical" Dellcrest volunteer.
Components:	Organizational research.
Data Sources:	Existing demographic data. Other program or agency records.
Results:	The results indicate that the typical Dellcrest volunteer is a 24 year-old, female, full-time university student who volunteers approximately 10 hours a month, for a period of 6 months, in order to gain experience for future employment.
Relevant to:	Treatment. Home support or community living. Residential or group care.
Reports:	Volunteer Profile Study. Availability of report will be determined.

FUNDING

Sources:	Core budget only

WOMEN IN NEED: A SURVEY OF THE NEEDS OF WOMEN IN ONTARIO

RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT

Organization Responsible for Study:	an interval/transition house
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STUDY DESCRIPTION AND STATUS OF REPORTS

Study Duration:	04/85 - 07/85.
Objectives:	To develop a profile of women in need and currently receiving services. To identify gaps between needs and services currently being provided by government and community agencies. To obtain feedback on Street Haven's Grant House program.
Components:	Survey research. Needs assessment. Outcome evaluation.
Data Sources:	Self-administered questionnaires for clients or families. Self-administered questionnaires for MCSS or agency staff. Face-to-face interviews with MCSS or agency staff.
Results:	Women in need are generally, poorly educated, chronically unemployed, and sole support mothers living on some form of assistance. Frequently they have been sexually abused as children and adults. The top three priority service needs across Ontario are for women with psychiatric problems, street youths, and women with drug addictions. In general, short-term program alternatives are favoured over long-term approaches.
Relevant to:	Treatment. Home support or community living. Casework or counselling.
Reports:	Women in Need: A Survey of the Needs of Women in Ontario. Report is available to the public.

FUNDING

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